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# BLUE AND GOLD



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Presented By The  
**CLASS OF '54**  
**HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL**  
Hudson, New York



# Foreword

In deciding upon a theme, we, the editors, have tried to find something which is familiar to everyone, yet which clearly symbolizes the graduating class. And so, we present to you the "Towers".

A tower usually has a base converging upon a pointed tip, which seemingly wants to reach farther skyward. Each senior might consider himself at the base of the tower with the very peak of it as his highest goal—success and happiness. Members of

the graduating class are now, figuratively, starting out from the base of the tower, with the peak as a goal. Here at Hudson High School, in addition to the beautiful campus, we have the stately school tower atop the main building to remind us of this goal.

As you leaf through the pages of this book, try to remember the meaning that the beautiful towers have for the members of the class of 1954.



Our hopes like towering falcons aim  
At objects on an airy height  
The pleasure of the game  
Is from afar to view the flight...

Tennyson-

# Dedication



For his patience and friendliness, for his understanding of students, for his never-failing sense of humor, and for the sincere interest he has shown as adviser to the school publications, we, the

class of 1954, take a deep pride in dedicating the 1954 "*Blue and Gold*" to Mr. Paul J. Westfall, popular commercial teacher of Hudson High School.



# The Blue and Gold

Yes, blue and gold is the flag we love,  
Let's cheer for Hudson High,  
Come gather 'round and sing a song,  
That mounts unto the sky.

## *Chorus*

All hail to the colors we cherish,  
A pennon of blue and gold,  
And hail to her sons and daughters,  
Sweetest mem'ries days unfold,  
Our love for thee never shall perish,  
Sturdy, staunch, and bold,  
We will fight for the right and old Hudson High,  
For the Blue and the Gold.







Left to right: Mr. Golding, Mr. McNeal, Mr. Kaemmerlen.

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Faculty at Ease





Independence Hall

That Tower Of Strength  
That Stood Four-Square  
To All The Winds That Blew  
-Yennyson-

# Seniors



# SENIOR CLASS



Believe it or not, we, the class of '54, entered Hudson High in September, 1950 as freshmen with little knowledge of what there was in store for us during the four years to come. We were afraid and unsure of ourselves then; but now our senior year has come to an end, and we can look back on a lot of fun. Let's turn back to those days and recall our four years here at Hudson High.

In September, we held our first meeting under the guidance of our freshman advisor, Mr. Huddleston. After elections, we had decided upon Robert Clowe as president; Lou Payne as vice-president; Sally Baker as secretary; and Joan Pratt as treasurer, with John Grandinetti assisting her. One of the best social affairs of the class of 1954 was the freshman dance called "The Lucky Horseshoe."

Upon our return as sophomores we elected class officers. They were: president, Charlanne Bailey; vice-president, Joan Belknap; secretary, Betty Jean Holmes; and Joan Pratt as treasurer, with John Grandinetti as assistant. The class dance was soon upon us again and we named it the "Sophomore Snowball" and planned it with our advisor, Mrs. Roth.

Once again a new year opened to us, but now we were "upper-classmen" and pretty proud to be out of those lower ranks. After taking over the science corridor, we elected Lou Payne president of the junior class; Bill Hallenbeck, vice-president; Elaine Bortugno, secretary; and Joan Pratt, treasurer for the third consecutive year, with Jane Magsamen assisting her. Our class advisor, Miss Calkins, helped plan for our class dance, named the "Mardi Gras". Nine members of our class were inducted into the National Honor Society. Those so honored were Sally Baker, Sandra Epstein, Valeria Mieske, Vaira Pamiljana, Charlanne Bailey, Robert Clowe, Joel Eisenberg, Wendell Fingar, and Merrill Johnson. Inducted into the National



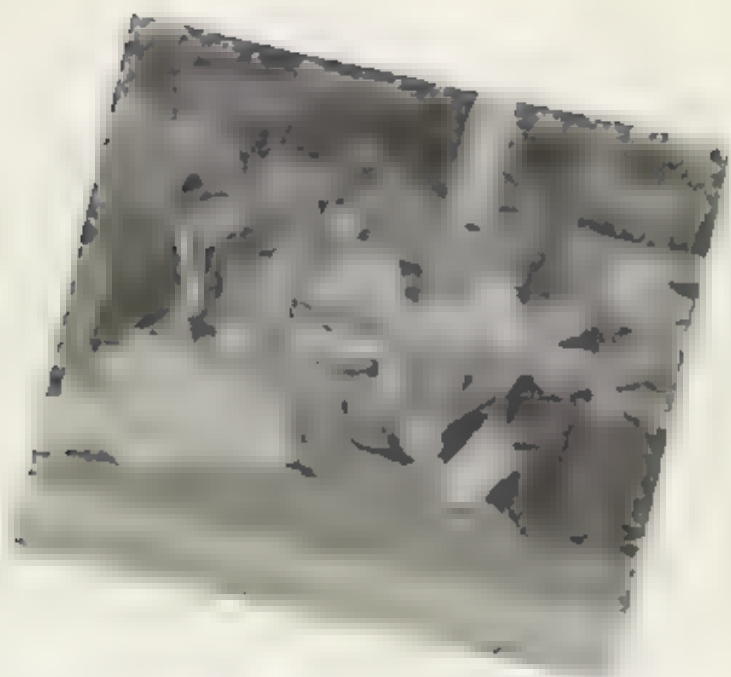


# HISTORY

Thespians were Robert Golding, Marsha Goldstein, Peter Ostrander, and Graham Hasbrouck. So we ended our junior year and achieved our goal of three years, being seniors.

After what seemed a short summer vacation, we returned with that know-it-all look to start our senior year, which was our best and, as all will agree, our busiest year. We selected our announcements and name cards, received our senior pictures, were measured for caps and gowns, took final exams, and prepared for graduation. Under the guidance of Mr. Styles, our senior advisor, we chose the following class officers: Lou Payne, president; Dave Teator, vice-president; Anne Colby, secretary; Joan Belknap, treasurer; and Joan Harris and Valeria Mieske as assistant treasurers. The seniors have been very busy this year as heads of organizations. For the first time in many years, a "Madam" president of the Student Council was elected in the person of Charlanne Bailey with Joel Flaum as vice-president; Joan Pratt as secretary; and Glenn Dallas as treasurer. Jim Esselstyn ably headed the Student Service Committee, and Barbara McCulloch, Rose Marie Whiteside, and Mary Ellen Mink were chosen co-editors of the OWL. The editor-in-chief of the "Blue and Gold" was Wendell Fingar with Sally Baker as business manager. The DAR Citizenship Prize was awarded to Charlanne Bailey. Barry Mynter, Jim Esselstyn, Tonu Kirsimagi, Lou Payne, Tom Canape, and others excelled in varsity sports. Inducted into the NHS were Elaine Bortugno, Elizabeth Bortugno, Marsha Goldstein, Barbara McCulloch, and Audrey Pattison.

After the Senior Ball and graduation, we will turn the last page in our book of class history. Then, we can look back on four memorable years, knowing that they were our most enjoyable, and look forward to many more years in which we can be proud to say that we were part of the class of '54 of Hudson High School.







**JOHN J. ALESSANDRO**

John, who is known as "Kid Brooklyn" to his friends, left us in his sophomore year to go to Lawrence High in Brooklyn and returned to Hudson this year. When asked about his hobbies, John answered "baseball and girls." That's quite a combination, "Kid". After graduation, John plans to join the Navy.



**TRACY ALEXANDER**

Tracy, nicknamed "Skip" by his friends, is that quiet senior boy in H.R. 354. Tracy participated in basketball in his junior year and he was a member of the F.F.A. during his sophomore year. He chooses industrial arts as his favorite subject. Tracy is undecided about what he will do upon graduation, but we all hope he will reach whatever goal he sets.

**DOLORES M. ALGER**  
"Ollie" is that talkative classmate of ours found in H.R. 351. Dolores spends many of her free periods working on the business staff of the "Blue and Gold" and on the "Owl" typing staff. She is always welcoming you by a pleasant smile. In the future, "Ollie" surely will be an efficient secretary.



**CHARLANNE BAILEY**

Charlanne is the exception to the rule "beautiful, but dumb". During her four years, she has held offices in the National Honor Society and Forum, was president of her class in her sophomore year, and ably presided over the Student Council this year. "Charly", as she is better known, especially by a certain senior boy, was twice elected Syracuse Citizenship delegate and was the DAR Good Citizen this year. Charlanne will certainly be missed for the fine job she has done.



**SALLY A. BAKER**

As the years go by, Sally will be long remembered for the secretarial services she has rendered. This cheerful girl was freshman class secretary, Student Council secretary in her junior year, and National Honor Society secretary in her senior year. In addition, Sally found time for both band and choir, and to make this naturally busy life even more so, she was elected to the job of "Blue and Gold" business manager.



**PETER H. AVERY, JR.**

Peter, better known to us as Pete, considers graduating his greatest accomplishment. Next year, though, Pete will miss Projection Club, of which he was an active member for four years. Taking up some of his spare time is that certain senior girl to whom he is engaged and who naturally figures in his plans for the future. Without a doubt, H.H.S. will miss Pete's eternal smile and happy-go-lucky ways.





#### BETTY B BARTHOLOMEW

A pleasant smile and cheerful atmosphere seem to follow Betty wherever she goes. This attractive senior's abilities have earned her membership in Orchestra and Dance Band besides her four years in the saxophone section of the band. Being in the Science Club and on the "Blue and Gold" editorial staff has also taken up much of Betty's time this year. We know Betty will be successful in her future teaching career.



#### GLORIA BARTHOLOMEW

Gloria is kept busy this year as chief typist for the "Blue and Gold", a duty she enjoys very much. "Glo" can usually be found roller skating at Cairo on Saturday nights. Ice skating is also one of her favorite hobbies. The Christian Endeavor and Girls' League meetings also take up much of her time. Business law rates as her favorite subject.

#### CATHERINE A. BARTO

Cathy and talking go hand and hand, but for four years her tinkling little voice has been pleasant to hear! Cathy has participated in band and choir for four years, Girls' Ensemble for three, G.A.A. board for two years, and the "Owl" business staff. The class of '54 knows what state other than New York Cathy would like to be in, say Connecticut.



#### EDWARD BICJAN

Ed joined the class of '54 in his sophomore year, coming from Benjamin Franklin High in New York. Ed's manner could be described in one appropriate word "smooth". His smoothness has been best shown by our excellent interclass basketball and soccer record, in which Ed was one of the mainstays. Ed's other activities include Student Service Committee and varsity baseball. His lush hairdo and friendliness will long be remembered by his classmates.

#### ELAINE BORTUGNO

"Is it Elizabeth? No, it's Elaine, I think" Almost every student and teacher in Hudson High has at one time said this, although their closest friends say it's very easy to tell them apart. Elaine has acted as secretary of our class in her junior year and secretary of the Photo Club in her sophomore year. During their senior year, both Elaine and Betty have been kept busy in the Science Club and the National Honor Society.



#### JOAN BELKNAP

This tall senior girl with the blue eyes seems to have a witty answer for everything. Joanie's many activities have included being our "veep" during sophomore year, our treasurer this year, and a third floor monitor. Although she hails from Greenport, South Bend, Indiana is her favorite spot. "Notre Dame weekends are tops", confides Joan. If you wake up some morning in a hospital, Joanie may be the nurse taking your pulse.







**ELIZABETH BORTUGNO**

Betty is the other half of that duo that always has us guessing. Her four years at Hudson High have included membership in the Photo Club, the Student Council, G.A.A., Science Club, and French Club. Both Betty and Elaine tell us that they plan future careers in homemaking. After seeing their work in the county 4-H group, we know they couldn't have made a wiser choice.



**MARTA E. BOSS**

Marta has great fun collecting photographs for her album, and she considers this one of her favorite hobbies. Three of her four years in high school have been spent on the "Owl" Staff, and she has received a certificate for her fine work. Marta, as she is called by her friends, names home economics as her favorite subject.



**RICHARD BUCHOLSKY**

Dick, who can be seen in the halls with a certain senior girl, considers passing physics as his greatest achievement. He has participated in intramural basketball, which he claims to be his favorite sport, along with hunting and fishing. After graduation, Dick plans to join the Navy and study electronics.

**AUGUSTINE C. CAGGIANELLI**

"Buddy" is a great sports enthusiast having played football two years and track two years. He would have liked to participate in more sports, but he was curtailed by doctor's orders. Next to football, hunting is a favorite of Buddy's. For hobbies he occupies himself with photography and chemistry. Buddy places the sciences among his favorite subjects.

**THOMAS J. CANAPE**

Tom, who's been on the football team for four years, was a hard-running halfback on this year's team, of which he was co-captain. If he isn't racking up touchdowns, then he may be found playing basketball at the Blue Anchor. Tom is a four-year member of the Projection Club. His pleasant personality and ever-ready smile should be a great asset in the years to come.



**MICHAEL A. CHELELLI**

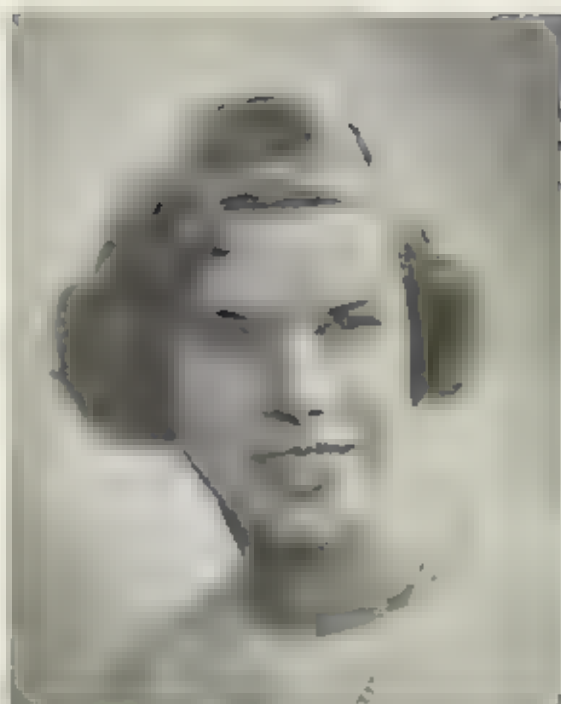
Mickey's greatest asset, if there is a greatest, is probably the enthusiasm he displays for everything he does. Whether it's playing varsity soccer or playing that "real gone" trumpet, Mickey is always in there pitching. "Chic", as his close friends know him, has numerous other activities, including varsity baseball, football, track, intramural basketball and soccer, Student Council, and dance band.





#### ROBERT CLOWE

If he's not playing the piano, he's presiding over National Honor Society meetings; if he's not making posters, or drawing for the "Blue and Gold," he's playing his clarinet! These activities, plus being one of our "Syracuse citizens", have kept this talented senior boy very busy. "Confidentially," says Bob, "I've been playing in the band so long, I've forgotten the words to the Fight Song!" We forgive you, though, and wish you future success.



#### BARBARA ANNE COLBY

"Indispensable Anne" can usually be seen checking to see if all the third floor monitors are at their posts. She's been active in Student Council, Forum, Charlatans, French Club, and is our senior class secretary. Ann's pet peeve is people who don't have things completed at deadline time. Her pleasant personality will surely help her to have a successful future.



#### GLENN T. DALLAS

Glenn is one of the most "all around" boys in the class. He has spent four years in basketball and baseball, earning varsity H's in both sports. This year Glenn piloted the Projection Club after three years of experience and was Student Council treasurer. Aside from all this, Glenn is a terrific dancer, and, last but not least, he is very good looking. Our best to this boy, who is the product of such a combination.



#### MADALINE H. DeCINTIO

Madaline, whose nickname is "Toot", has been a violin-playing member of the orchestra for four years. When "Toot" is not busy with "Blue and Gold" work, as she is an assistant editor, she enjoys reading and embroidery. You will be able to find this senior girl in a local insurance agent's office after school. Madaline plans to continue working there after graduation.

#### JOHN H. DeLAMATER

John is one of a number of our class who comes from Claverack, and like the large majority of Claverack fellows, he really enjoys hunting. He likes all forms of athletics and seems to be equally good in all sports. While in Hudson, he has played J.V. basketball, varsity football and baseball. Pittsfield General Electric interests John, and he plans to enter there after graduation.

#### ROSE MARIE DAVI

Rose, also known as "Jellybean" to many of her friends, is that very talkative brunette in room 351. Among her outside interests, Rose places square dancing at the top of the list, while she classifies shorthand as her favorite school subject. During the eighth period, you may find Rose typing for the "Owl". After graduation, Rose plans on becoming a secretary.







**GUSTAVE F. DOLFAX, JR**

Gus, who lives in Greenport, is one of the few persons who likes work better than anything else. Gus has worked after school at the First National Store and finds a job on a farm for the summer. During any time off, however, he likes to go hunting or fishing. After graduation, his ambition is to become an automobile mechanic.



**JOAN E. DUNSPAUGH**

The Blue Anchor and collecting records really rate high with Joan. She has quite a large collection of well-known recordings. Sports also prove interesting to Joan, and she has enjoyed playing interclass basketball. She considers passing business law her greatest accomplishment and names shorthand as her favorite subject. "Dee", as Joan is called by her close friends, plans to enter Albany Business College after graduation.

**MARILYN A. DuPONT**

Marilyn is a girl who loves to sew. She takes pride in making most of her clothes. Proof that English is her favorite subject is shown in her work as assistant editor of the "Blue and Gold" this year. Marilyn plans to attend college after graduation to study to be a private secretary. The best of luck goes with her as she sets forth into the future.



**JOEL H. EISENBERG**

National Honor Society, Varsity Soccer and Student Service Committee floor captain. Want more? Syracuse Citizenship Prize, vice-president of Forum and asst. secretary of the Student Council in his junior year, Science Club, intramural basketball and soccer. Let the record speak for itself. This outstanding senior spends whatever leisure time he has at "Chi" meetings, or developing his already great skill of describing all events and happenings in a most picturesque manner.

**H. PETER ENGEL**

If you're looking for a combination of science, music, and photography, "Pete" is the one to see. His talents in all these fields have long been recognized by his fellow students. Pete's good looks and pleasant personality have aided him in the winning of many friends. His interest in science will lead him to study engineering in college after graduation.



**SANDRA R. EPSTEIN**

Sandra has enjoyed sports, having participated in the G.A.A. during her first three years of high school. Her position as president of the French Club, along with her duties as assistant editor of the "Blue and Gold", has taken up much of her time. Sandra is well known for her scholastic ability, as a member of the National Honor Society, but she is probably even better known for her trips, which include visiting Mexico, Italy, and Spain.



### JAMES ESSELSTYN

Jim has been one of our most popular senior boys. His pleasant smile and fine personality have earned him the chairmanship of the Student Service Committee, of which he was also a member during his junior year, and the honor of co-captain of the varsity football squad this year, on which he has been star center for three years. He has also been a member of the Student Council and of the "Blue and Gold" business staff.



### LAYTON FEROE

This senior boy's acting abilities and four years in the Charlatans have earned him membership in the National Thespian Society in his junior year. Layton has taken part in eight Charlatan presentations during his high school career. You will usually be able to find him at the Blue Anchor, where he spends a lot of his after-school time. In his plans for the future, Layton includes attending Emerson College, after which he expects to enter the announcing field.

### WENDELL L. FINGAR

Who's that tall, red-headed boy dashing through the hall after someone? That is Wendell, our editor-in-chief of the "Blue and Gold", chasing down a deadline dodger. This has been a familiar sight, but we can see how it paid off when we look at the book. Wendell has been active in National Honor Society for two years, French Club for two years, and Science Club. Wendell's pleasing personality has aided him in winning many friends.



### JOEL M. FLAUM

This "Veep" of the Student Council has proved that vice-presidents do other work besides holding the flag in assemblies. The energy that isn't used up in Student Council is taken care of when fulfilling the duties as President of the Forum. Joel's other activities include varsity soccer, varsity track, intramural basketball and soccer, Charlatans and Student Service Committee.

### IRENE JEAN FRASSA

The cheerful "Shortie" who patrols the business end of the first floor, boasts the fact that she's a Stottville alumna. Irene, known as "Jean" to many, enjoys dancing and picnicing with "the gang", but especially with a certain employee of G. E.—Pittsfield. She also enjoys her Sunday afternoon "drives", and maybe someday she'll get her own license. "It's always easier," explains Irene, "to get a permit tomorrow."

### C. PETER FISH

If you wish your ancestry traced, or you want to be soothed (??) by some remarkable bagpipe records, Pete is your man. One of the original Claverack gang (need we say more?), Pete is now a Hudsonian, and his favorite haunts include the tower and underground passageways of Christ Church. He is an ardent church worker and has chosen the Episcopal ministry as his life's work.







**ADGER GANSON**

Adger has a liking for the outdoors, and therefore it's not unusual that hunting and fishing come first among his outside activities. Being quite an expert hunter, this senior from Stuyvesant Falls, has bagged everything from small animals to bigger game, such as deer. Casting for trout or bass is also one of his favorite pastimes. If you want to chat about hunting or fishing, be sure to see Adger in room 351.



**JEANNE L. GENGENBACH**

If you are looking for a heated argument, look for Jeanne, that beautifully dressed red head; she is usually right in the center. Jeanne's good humor and wit have won her many friends. Jeanne has been a member of the "Blue and Gold" Editorial Staff, Owl, and Photography Club. This year she was a member of the Student Council and the Student Service Committee. To Jeanne, the class of '54 says, "Life's little problems aren't bad; they're worse."



**ROBERT GOLDING**

Bob has the sparkling ability to get along with his fellow students. He has been a member of the Charlatans, a letter man in band, a key holder in "Owl", active in Photography Club, Projection Club, Science Club, and Student Service Committee. He was treasurer of Charlatans in his senior year and was inducted into Thespians in his sophomore year. Bob works at Neefus's after school, preparing for his career in photography after graduation.

**MARSHA GOLDSTEIN**

Marsha has been outstanding in her high school dramatic activities. Her hard work in the Charlatans helped win for her the honor of becoming a member of the Thespians in her sophomore year. Marsha has acted as president of the Charlatans this year and was president of the Thespians. This year the Science Club, the editorial staff of the "Blue and Gold", and the National Honor Society have taken much of her time.

**JOHN A. GRANDINETTI**

One of the nicest guys in Hudson, "Hu", is the title Johnnie has earned for himself. His various activities are Varsity baseball, J. V. basketball and football, intramural basketball and soccer, Dance Club, dues collector, and choir. With this schedule he still finds time to be one of the top young keggers in the city. After graduation, Johnnie hopes to serve in Uncle Sam's Navy, in which we wish him the best of luck.



**SANTA M. GRAZIANO**

Santa is that quiet classmate of ours in H. R. 353. As an outside activity, Santa types for the "Owl". She enjoys roller skating and places square dancing at the top of her amusement list. As her greatest achievement, Santa chooses passing business arithmetic. Her favorite subject is English 12. Upon graduation Santa wishes to become a secretary.



#### SHIRLEY E. GRENER

If you're feeling low, Shirley is the girl to cheer you up. Her ability to turn conversation into jokes has won her many friends. Photography interests Shirley and accounts for her being a member of the Photo Club for two years. "Shirl" likes to roller skate, ice skate, and bowl a few games now and then. After graduation she intends to enter a business office.



#### RUBY GRIFFIN

This twin member of the Griffin family has upheld the family tradition of athletics. She was very active in both baseball and basketball. Through her efforts, Ruby achieved a place for herself on the Girls' Athletic Association Board. Ruby's extra-curricular interests also include dancing, which explains her membership in Dance Club. All of these activities will add to the fulfillment of Ruby's athletic ambitions.

#### RUTH GRIFFIN

Ruth is a very athletic girl. She enjoys sports and participated in girl's basketball and baseball. She was also a member of the G. A. A. Board and received a letter for her athletic ability. "Twin", as she is often called, can be seen wearing her brother's athletic letters and other athletic pins on her sweaters. Ruth considers English her favorite subject. After graduation, her goal is to become either a secretary or a beautician.



#### FRANK W. HAGEN

Frank, who came to us in his sophomore year from Kinderhook, enjoys working with automobiles. Accordingly, his hobby is drawing cars. His favorite subject is auto-mechanics, and he has spent a great deal of time with his brother tinkering with his car. Good luck in future years, Frank. We're sure you will make a top notch auto-mechanic.

#### MARGARET A. HALL

Margaret, known better as "Peggy", is one of those effervescent members of the class. This characteristic may explain her success as a four year choir and band member and her success as "Owl" copy editor. Put together a charming personality, good looks, intelligence, a sense of humor, and you can't help but come up with the combination that has made Peggy such a valuable and unforgettable member of the class of '54.

#### JUDITH L. GROSSMAN

A friendly and attractive blonde is Judy, who has been a member of the Charlatans four years. Her hobby is collecting small figurines, while some of her activities include taking piano lessons and working at a Youth Bureau playground in the summer. Judy considers retailing her favorite subject and plans to study merchandising in junior college.







**WILLIAM HALLENBECK**

"Billy" has been one of the most active boys in our class. While standing at his Student Service post, he has a "Hi" for everyone, even freshmen. Billy's long list of activities include "H's" in baseball, basketball, and soccer, "Blue and Gold" art staff, intramural basketball, soccer and finally orchestra. This drummer boy was also elected vice-president of the class in his junior year. Billy's athletic and artistic prowess and easy-going manner will be greatly missed by Hudson High for years to come.

**JOAN E. HARRIS**

Combine personality, brains, and a sense of humor and it comes out Joanie. Joanie came to H. H. S. from Sauger-ties in her junior year, and has been an asset to the class of '54. She has been an active member of choir, Girls' Ensemble and Charlatans. This year she served the class of '54 as its assistant treasurer. Joan's fine school record will make it easy for her to accomplish anything she undertakes in the future.



**JACQUELINE M. HAMM**

"Jackie" is that quiet senior girl in room 351. She has participated in many sports, being a member of the G. A. A. As one of Hudson High School's loyal sports fans, Jackie can be found in the stands cheering our fellows on to victory. After graduation, this Stottville girl plans on following a secretarial career.



**RICHARD C. HARVEY**

Dick, who claims Livingston as his hometown, has been one of our more quiet, and yet, active seniors. He enjoys all sports and is quick to join in any game that comes up. Dick has played intramural basketball every year and interclass soccer his last two. After graduating, he hopes to enter college for a course of engineering.

**SHEILA J. HAMM**

Sheila has won a great deal of recognition for her work in 4-H. Although she is very busy with 4-H and school-work, she still manages to find time to be a very active sports enthusiast. She participates in a number of sports and is a member of the G. A. A. When it comes around to greatest achievements, Sheila says passing biology was pretty tough. As for the future, nursing has attracted her interest.



**J. GRAHAM HASBROUCK**

"Is that a dagger I see before Me?" Hardly. It could only be Graham reciting lines of "Macbeth", the crowning achievement of his theatrical career in high school. Graham's active participation in Charlatans and Thespians has truly earned him the title of Mr. Theater. He has been rewarded for his efforts by being elected vice-president of Charlatans and secretary of Thespians. Graham's other activities include Forum, choir, and French Club.

#### JOHN D. HATHEWAY

Jack spends a great deal of his leisure time outdoors, either hunting or sighting with one of his many rifles. He is a member of the Hudson Fish and Game Club and is known to be in his happiest mood when the hunting season rolls around. Jack has been on the tennis team for four years and is one of its key players. His plans for after graduation include college.



#### JANET HAWVER

Janet can often be found attending the Walther League meetings of her church. She also enjoys the many trips the League sponsors. Being an avid baseball fan, Janet has collected many articles praising the "Yankees". She considers passing business law her greatest accomplishment and English her favorite subject. Janet would like to become a secretary after graduation.



#### PATRICIA B. HAWVER

Pat receives a lot of playful teasing about her attractive blushing. She considers passing Shorthand II and graduating her greatest accomplishments. Business law rates as her favorite subject, even though it is a difficult one. Pat spends much of her time attending Walther League meetings of her church. After graduation, she would like to pursue a secretarial career.



#### LAWRENCE J. HERMANCE

This tall boy, whose favorite expression is "Nuts", is one senior, who, when asked a question, will always have a comeback if a correct answer isn't available. Larry has played Varsity baseball, Varsity basketball, J. V. football and basketball, intramural soccer, and has been a dues collector and member of the Projection Club. Larry plans on entering college to become a draftsman after graduation.



#### JOHN HERMANCE

"Jack", who hails from Stottville, has often been seen driving an ice cream truck around. His powerful right arm will always be remembered by his fellow baseball players. Jack makes pitching look easy and also makes other things look easy when he's showing a movie for the Projection Club. Although he hasn't made any decisions about the future, we're sure Jack will do his job well.



#### BEVERLY ANNE HICKEY

"Bev" is the fun-loving member of homeroom 353 who is famous for her art work. Whenever there is a poster to be made, Bev is really in great demand. This talented senior also possesses a keen eye for dress designing and makes most of her own clothes. Much of Bev's spare time is spent acting as president of the Claverack Phi-Delts, and her cooking is tops.







**SUSAN L. HIMAN**

This vivacious senior girl can be found at her second floor post between classes. She has been a member of the Student Service Committee two years. Sue includes among her likes dancing and clothes. You will usually be able to find her at the Blue Anchor after school. After graduation, Sue plans to go to college and become a medical secretary.



**STANLEY J. HIMMEL**

This good-looking senior boy can usually be found taking attendance in room 353 before 8:45. Stan's favorite pastime is hunting, but during school hours, social studies is tops on his list. Varsity football has taken up a great deal of his time after school. After graduation, Hudson High is going to lose a swell guy in Stan, who plans to enter the armed forces.



**EDITH JOAN HOFFMAN**

This attractive senior is looking forward to a secretarial job upon graduation. "The Owl" circulation staff has claimed her time for the last three years. With all this, she still found time for baseball and volleyball, which earned her a place on the Girls' Athletic Association Board. Edith's smiling face and alert mind should make her an excellent secretary.

**PAUL E. HOFFMAN JR.**

Paul, who is another to claim Livingston as his hometown, has been active in track for two years, earning his letter in that sport. Intramural basketball, interclass soccer, the Dance Club, and banking have also taken much of Paul's spare time. As for the future, Paul plans to either study business or enter Pittsfield G. E.

**MARCIA S. HOLDRIDGE**

When a giggle can be heard throughout the halls of H. H. S., we could identify it as Marcia, that neatly dressed senior girl who can be found at her post on the first floor. She has been a dues collector, a member of the "Owl", and Student Service Committee. We want to know what could be so appealing about a song from "Show Boat"?



**BETTY JEAN HOLMES**

Who is that blonde bombshell or should we say "more bounce to the ounce" girl? Why it's none other than Betty Jean Holmes. "Bet" has participated actively for four years in choir, Girls Ensemble, Photography and Projection Club. In her junior and senior year she was a member of the J. V. and Varsity cheerleading squads respectively. The class of '54 wonders where Betty gets all the energy to perform her many activities so well.



#### RUTH ANN HOUSE

One of Ruth's main interests is sports. She has participated in almost every girls' sport in school and has received a letter and bar for her achievements. The G. A. A. Board also claims much of her time. Ruth's fine sense of humor keeps many of her classmates entertained. She would like to become a nurse after graduation.



#### SHIRLEY E. HUGHES

"Cookie", as she is called by her friends, can be found after school at the C. C. Club, of which she is an active member, or babysitting. She enjoys playing and watching softball very much. Her favorite subject is office practice. Shirley plans to go to business college and on to become a beautician. The class of '54 says "good luck"!



#### EDWARD HOWATT

If there is any speed record of someone's getting to school on time from below Third Street after leaving home at 8:30 A. M., Eddy is sure to hold the record. Eddy's main interest in school has been in music. Evidence of this is his four years in band and choir. Anytime after school you can walk by his house and hear him tooting on that "crazy" horn of his.



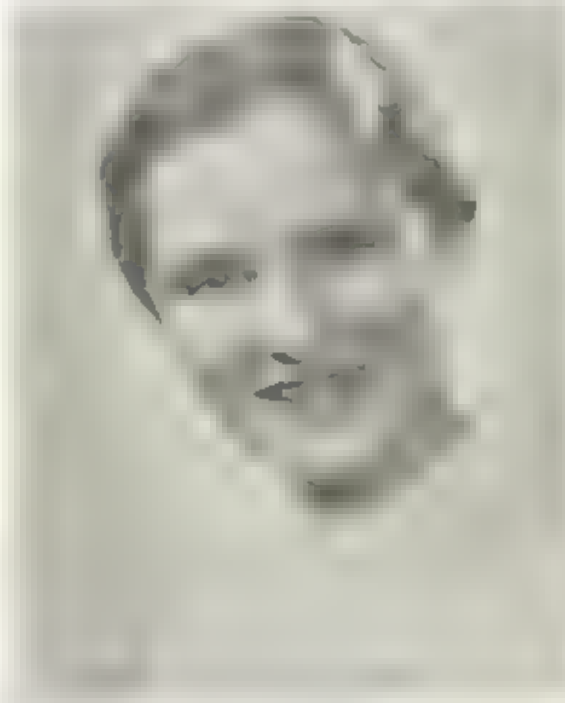
#### MERRILL JOHNSON

Merrill, more commonly known as "Peanut", is that member of the famed Claverack gang who "zips" around in the blue Chevrolet. He can usually be found playing his trumpet or actively engaged in discussions at either Science Club or N. H. S. scholarship meetings. Upon graduation, Merrill plans to study at Cornell to become a veterinarian, so best of luck to the living proof that the best things come in small packages.



#### DAVID F. HUDSON

Dave has gone out for baseball his last two years and has played two years of intramural basketball. He has been a member of the Projection Club, Photography Club, and is one of the two seniors who boasts of having been in the Science Club for two years. Math is his favorite subject, and he plans to follow this up by studying to become an engineer after graduation.



#### GERTRUDE I. KELLER

That small girl with the ever-ready smile and pleasing personality is better known to most of us as "Trudy". She enjoys popular music and ice-skating, and if you should happen to hear, "Oh, George", you can be sure it's Trudy. In the fall of the year you could have found her at the football games, for she is one of Hudson High's greatest fans.





**E. ATLEE KENNEDY**

Lee joined the class of '54 in her junior year, coming from St. Mary's. Since then she has added her wit and humor to the class. Lee has been a member of Forum and French Club and this year was on the "Blue and Gold" editorial staff. Lee can be heard to exclaim in the cafeteria, "What is it? Look, it's moving." and the class of '54 knows just what she means.



**WILLIAM F. KEYSER**

There isn't a dull moment when Bill's around; any member of the football team will agree to that. Bill, who hails from North Claverack, likes to go hunting or fishing whenever he gets the chance. If he isn't driving around in that Plymouth station-wagon, then most likely he can be found at the Blue Anchor. It'll be either college or the Navy after graduation for Bill.



**TONU KIRSIMAGI**

"Tony", as we better know him, has become well-known among us for his pleasing smile and cheerful personality. His hard tackling on the varsity football team in his senior year earned for him a letter, although he had his bad breaks with two injuries. Tonu has also been a member of the Student Service Committee and the "Blue and Gold" editorial staff, both in his senior year.

**HENRY KOWALSKI**

This senior from Stuyvesant Falls rates hunting and fishing high on his list of outside activities. Henry, known as "Hank", considers learning to play the accordion his greatest accomplishment and plans to continue his studies on this instrument in order to play before various organizations. Hank's favorite subject this year is business arithmetic, and after graduation, he hopes to enter the business field.

**GERALD A. KUHNER**

"Jerry" has devoted his time to several school organizations, but has been outstanding in band throughout his four years, and joined the dance band in his last year. He likes baseball and has gone out for it his last two years. This fun-loving senior has had a good reason for joining the band, for upon graduation, he plans to enlist in the Navy and hopes to play in a Navy Band.



**ELVENA M. LASHER**

This friendly senior is known as "Dolly" to many of her friends. Her greatest accomplishment was getting through Shorthand I, although now, she classifies secretarial practice as her favorite subject. Eighth period will find Elvena typing for the "Owl". Elvena is an accomplished musician, having played the piano for many years and is now studying the accordion.



#### JOAN B. LUSTIBER

This sweet, petite girl has a cheerful "hi" for everyone she meets and especially for that certain senior boy to whom she is engaged. Joan says her fiance takes up all her spare time, so she doesn't have time for hobbies. Her greatest accomplishment would have to be decided between graduation and becoming engaged. Marriage is the plan which Joan has for the future, as she hopes to be a June bride.



#### JANE M. MAGSAMEN

Jane's lively smile has become familiar since she joined us after coming from Jefferson Central School, where she was president of her class. Jane is kept busy by her first floor post and by another member of the class of '54. If there were a class poetess to be chosen, this senior girl would probably win, as she is well known for her poetry in the "Owl".



#### JEAN R. MAGSAMEN

Jean is another athletic senior girl. She participated in baseball, basketball, and volleyball, resulting in her place on the Girls' Athletic Association Board. For the past two years Jean has been a valuable contributor to the "Owl". With these diversified interests, Jean has many opportunities awaiting her.



#### SHIRLEY R. McTYGUE

"Shirl" can usually be seen rushing to her post in front of the library. Due to her location she has no excuse for being late at 0-20 meetings, where she is vice-president. Even though Shirley has many stylish clothes, she never has anything to wear,—so she says. What she really wants is a nurse's uniform. In the future, if you ever have Shirley for a nurse, be sure you don't call her "Red".

#### M. JEAN MELIUS

Jean has had a very busy high school career. She has been active in choir, band, Owl, and is an assistant editor of the '54 "Blue and Gold". Her speaking ability and large vocabulary boil over in hot sessions of the Forum. Jean's promptness in reaching her post has made her an asset to the Student Service Committee. We wish this senior girl with the pleasing smile and likable personality good luck in whatever field of endeavor she enters.



#### BARBARA McCULLOCH

"Mac", as she has been dubbed by someone who cares, is an outstanding member of the senior class. During her four years in H. H. S., "Mac" has served "the Owl", this year as an editor, Charlatans, Projection Club, Student Service Committee, and J. V. and Varsity Cheerleading. Last year she was chosen outstanding girl of the junior class and was awarded the Elmira Key; and this year, she was inducted into the National Honor Society.







**ARLENE L. METZ**

This out-of-towner, who hails from Rossman, has been a member of the Zero-20 Club in her junior and senior years. During her free-school time, Arlene can usually be found helping out in the library. Out of school, she can give you pleasant, efficient service at her job in Newberry's. We're sure that Arlene will make good in her future nursing career.



**VALERIA MIESKE**

Valeria is often seen riding from Stottville to Hudson in her green Mercury. She is proud of the car and prouder yet of the record she'll leave behind at H. H. S. She considers being inducted into the National Honor Society in her junior year as her greatest achievement. French Club and Science Club have also kept her busy. Upon graduation "Val" is bound for California, where she plans to study to teach French.

**MARY ELLEN MINK**  
"Minky", as her Stottville friends know her, is one of those rare people with the never-ending energy. Her talents have earned for her the presidency of the G. A. A. Advisory Board, a post on the Student Service Committee, and one of the Editorial positions of "The Owl". Sports are Mary Ellen's hobby, and, after seeing her with a tennis racket or hockey stick in her hand, you would see why.



**MONA MOQUIN**

This tall, blonde beauty, who hails from Claverack, can be seen and heard in the halls of H. H. S. "Mo", as she is affectionately called by all of her many friends, has been an active member of Projection Club. The last two years she has taken care of her "little" Cheerleaders, acting as their manager. The class of '54 has one more thing to say to "Mo", "Remember, Speech is silver, but Silence is golden!"

**NORMAN MORRISON**

Norman enjoys hunting and fishing especially. He has plenty of space to do this in Livingston, his hometown. Farming also takes up much of his time after school and during the summer. Norman names shop as his favorite subject. We are looking forward to his becoming one of the successful farmers of our community.



**JUDITH ANNE MUGFORD**

Judy may be seen in the summer helping out at her parents' restaurant. "Buttons", as Judy is known by her friends, selects secretarial practice as her favorite subject and plans to become a secretary after graduation. She has used her typing talent this year on the staff of the "Blue and Gold". Judy considers graduating as her greatest achievement.



#### BARRY W. MYNTER

Barry has been prominent in many "Blue and Gold" sports events in the last four years, earning his letter in football this year, as he starred in the quarterback position. Barry has also earned a letter in track and has participated in intramural basketball, while this year he has been on the Student Service Committee and the "Blue and Gold" Sports Staff. This good-looking and popular senior enjoys hunting and is a real authority on Indians.



#### PETER H. OSTRANDER

Pete's outstanding work in the Charlantans was rewarded last year by his membership into the National Thespians. Peter has also been kept busy as a member of the Projection Club and as the president of the Science Club this year. During school he finds chemistry to his liking, while after school, his main interests are cars and a certain sophomore girl. Pete plans to study engineering in the future.



#### RICHARD THOMAS NACK

Richard, better known to his numerous friends as Dick or Richie, is another of those "all-round" boys. Richie has kept busy with choir and band, including Dance Band, both of which have had him as a four year member. Along with this he has also found time for basketball and track. Richie's proud of the fact that he was voted to Student Service Committee in his senior year. Success is a sure thing for this combination of good looks, alert mind, and pleasing personality.

#### JANE M. PALEN

Tall, blonde, and beautiful is an accurate description of Jane. She keeps everyone guessing all the time, and maybe this explains her four year Charlantan membership. In her senior year she was also a valuable asset to "The Owl" typing staff. Jane will miss H. H. S. next year, but is anxious to get started on the modeling career she wants. The many charming qualities we've known in her should certainly help her achieve this goal.



#### MARIE A. NERO

Although Marie's favorite subject is English, she has a great deal of talent for drawing. Acting as chief typist for "The Owl" has taken up a great deal of Marie's time. Her favorite out-of-school activities include having fun at the Anchor and bowling. In her plans for the future, Marie includes working for the State Department in Albany.

#### VAIRA PAMILJANS

We used to be able to recognize this girl because of her long blond hair, but even with her new short cut, we know it's Vaira with her graceful walk. Being one of the "leading ladies" of the Hudson High stage has occupied much of Vaira's time, but she still finds time to be an active participant in girls' sports, a member of National Honor Society, and vice-president of the Science Club. Although it isn't definite, Vaira says she'd like to enter the math-science field.

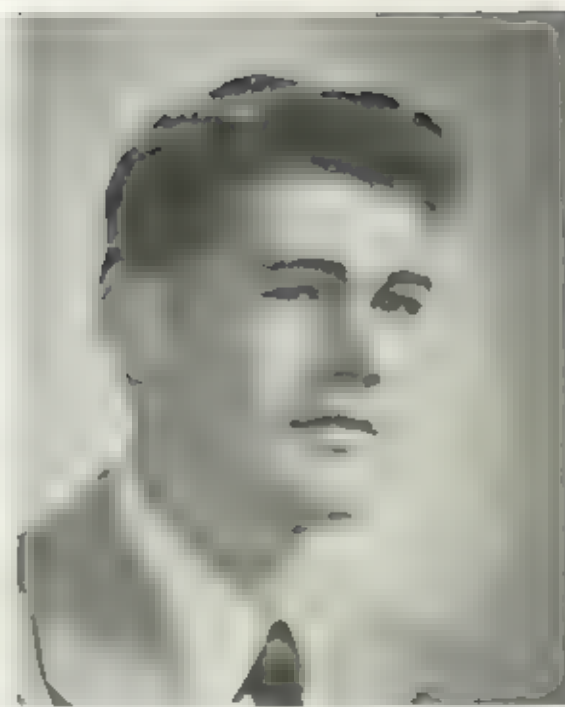






**AUDREY C. PATTISON**

Audrey is very much interested in music. Choir and the Choralettes have claimed her time for four years. Collecting records is also a hobby of hers. "Aud" takes pride in her induction into the National Honor Society this year. After graduation, Audrey plans to attend Potsdam State Teachers College, where she will major in English and become a teacher.



**WILLIAM B. PATZWAHL, JR.**

Bill, who hails from the town of Claverack, is one of our more fun-loving classmates. Everybody's sure to enjoy a laugh or two whenever he's in the crowd. Bill who likes to go hunting and fishing, also makes a hobby out of taxidermy. Football and baseball have taken most of his after-school time this year. After graduation, Bill will probably join the Navy.

**LOUIS PAYNE**

"Lou", our class president for the last two years, can be identified by a handsome smile and friendly "Hi". This active senior likes all sports, as is shown by his participation in varsity baseball, varsity basketball and varsity soccer. Besides sports, Lou has found time to serve the Student Council and the Student Service Committee. Majoring in physical education in college is Lou's plan after graduation.



**JANE A. PENDERGAST**

Jane is one of those girls that prove that good things come in small packages. She was an outstanding member of Charlatans and has been so far for four years. The roles that Jane has portrayed are those of witty and sarcastic people. Jane has been cheering the teams on to victory, in her sophomore year as a J. V. cheerleader and in her junior and senior year on the Varsity squad. The class of '54 asks, "What do you have at breakfast to get all this pep? !!"

**AUDREY L. PELL**

We hope you won't be seeing Audrey very often at her after school job, for she works at the hospital helping the nurses. "Aud's" interesting hobby is collecting match covers from all over the country and arranging them in a scrapbook according to states. If her hopes are realized, Audrey will someday be working for the Department of Agriculture in Washington.



**LOIS PETERS**

Lois came to us in her sophomore year from Wilber H. Lynch High School in Amsterdam. "Lo", as she is called by her friends, enjoys sewing. During her summer vacations, she visits her hometown, Amsterdam. Biology is considered the top subject by Lois. Graduating is classified as her greatest accomplishment.



#### BERNICE A. PLATNER

Bernice, or "Bunny", as she is called by her friends, hails from Stockport. Bernice has been an active member of "The Owl" for four years. She enjoys working out crossword puzzles and her favorite subject is secretarial practice. Bunny plans to work in Albany after graduation, and for four years in H. H. S. her greatest achievement was passing business law.



#### SANDER PORITZKY

"Anyone for tennis?" That can surely apply to Sandy, who last year reached the New York State Public High School Tennis Tournament finals in Syracuse, playing with Bob Blything. This year, Sandy won the Schoolmaster Tennis Trophy. Sandy has also been active in the Charlatans, the Forum, the Student Service Committee (as second floor captain) and "The Blue and Gold" Editorial Staff. Outside of school, this friendly senior usually can be found at "Chi" meetings, entering into heated debates.



#### RALPH POUGH

Ralph, that well-dressed senior boy, can be seen working at the First National Store after school. Ralph's favorite subject is business law, and hunting is tops among his outside activities. During the hunting season he often takes off to the woods and tries his luck with the rest of the "sharpshooters". Ralph is planning to join the Marines after graduation.



#### ROBERT W. RACE

"Bless you!" marks the presence of Bob. This talkative senior boy, who has been dues-collector in his home-room for two years, plans to take a business course in college or to join the Marines after graduation. Bob is kept quite busy at his post in the locker room during lunch period. One must have nerves of steel to face that stampede when the bell rings and still hold his ground. Right, Bob?

#### ELEANOR A. RADUN

This senior girl with the smile for everyone has been very active in the Zero-20 club, where she has received certificates for her outstanding work. "Ellie", as she is commonly known, is very much interested in embroidering and knitting. Much of Eleanor's time is taken up by typing for the "Blue and Gold".



#### JOAN E. PRATT

This attractive, personable senior has had four very active years in H. H. S. This is shown in the fact that she was for three consecutive years class treasurer, and in her senior year she acted as Student Council secretary. Also, she was a four year choir and band member. The class recognized Joan's good looks and charming personality by making her twice a candidate for Football Queen.

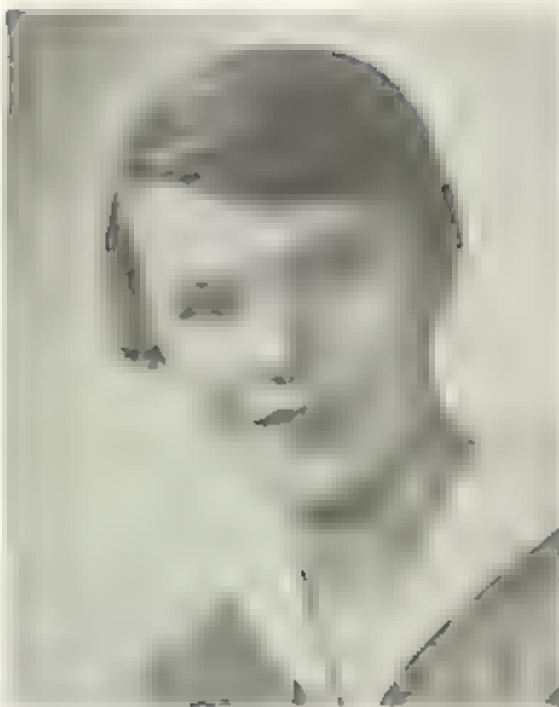






**JOHN RITROSKY**

John's favorite hobby is photography, as is shown by the fact that he was elected president of the Photography Club this year. He has given much of his time this year to make the 1954 "Blue and Gold" informals some of the best. His other activities include varsity football, "Owl", and the Science Club. John's best love outside of school is hunting and trapping, at which he is quite proficient.



**RACHELE ROETINA**

Rae likes to spend all the time she can horseback riding. She also has a hobby that is very interesting in collecting miniature horses. Her three year membership in the Charlatans has given her a chance to practice her chosen profession of make-up work and beauty styling. After graduation, Rae plans to enter a New York TV make-up school, where we hope she will attain her goal of "working on" famous TV stars.



**HELENE C. SACCO**

"Oh yeah?" If you hear this phrase, look for a dark haired, well dressed girl with a smile on her face. That's Helene. She's probably joking with somebody who thinks she's serious. Where activities are concerned, choir and band play the major part. Helene has also been active in Charlatans. Although she is uncertain about her future plans, we're sure her career will be a success.

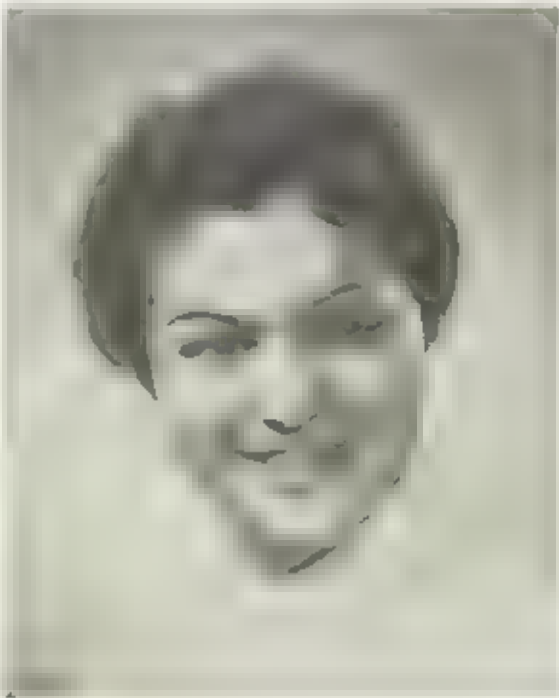
**VECENZA M. SACCO**

This illustrious senior, famous for her "gripes", hails from Stottville. Her acting ability has added to the success of many Charlatan productions, and she will long be remembered for her portrayal of one of the Macbeth witches. "Viggie's" hobby is music; she is an accomplished pianist, knows the words to more songs than anyone you'll probably ever meet, and is an active member of the Civic Music Association.



**JOSEPH G. SCALERA**

Joe, spirited and loaded with fun, shows his love of Mother Nature by frequently pioneering into the woods to hunt. He has been a four-year member of the Projection Club and participated in football in his senior year. Math head's Joe's list of favorite subjects.



#### CHARLENE E. SCHERMERHORN

Charlene is that well dressed girl with the long auburn hair. Her spare time is spent listening to WHUC. She can usually be found in her home in Stottville, writing faithfully to a member of the Air Force. The Zero-Twenty Club has occupied a lot of "Char's" school time for the past two years. After graduation, Charlene is planning to be married.



#### MARTIN SCHROEDER

"Marty", who can be easily identified by his wide smile, hails from Livingston. Farming is tops with Marty, who was greatly disappointed when the Future Farmers of America chapter disbanded. This good-looking senior had been elected its president for his junior year, but when it came, there was no more FFA. Marty plans to stay on the farm after graduation.



#### LUCY C. SCIRICO

Lucy is that talkative classmate of ours who haunts H. R. 351. Also known as "hotrod" to her friends, Lucy places English high as her favorite subject. She enjoys music, collecting records being her hobby. Lucy participated in Dance Club and basketball her first two years, baseball her first year, and track her third year. After graduation Lucy plans on becoming a secretary.



#### BARBARA M. SMITH

Barbara, who hails from Stuyvesant Falls, enjoys music very much and plays the piano in her spare time. The Luther League meetings also claim her interest. "Gussy" and "Eve" are some pet names which Barbara has acquired in her four years at H. H. S. Geometry rates as her favorite subject. Barbara would like to join the Waves in the future.

#### HAROLD C. STEIN

Harold has had it said of him that his writing in hieroglyphics compares with the best in the world. Harold's activities are composed of J. V. football in freshman year, Forum, Photo Club, Projection Club and Science Club. Besides orating on his pet subject, "The Evolution of the Modern Hand Weapon", Harold spends his evenings attending "Chi" meetings and securing bits of information that even Ripley would have had a hard time believing.



#### HAROLD C. SEARS

Harold, a real photography enthusiast, is a member of the Photo Club. When spring comes along, we can find him heaving the discus for the track team. Harold has played inter-class basketball for four years and can usually be seen practicing up on his shooting at the Blue Anchor. His greatest achievement was playing varsity football and very ably filling in for Jim Esselstyn at center after Jim was injured last fall.







**ADDIS FAYE STRONG**

Faye, as she is better known to her many friends, has had four busy years in H. H. S. Most of her extracurricular time has been spent in sports participation. Through this she gained a seat on the Girl's Athletic Association Board, having been active in baseball, basketball, volley ball, and track. Faye's ambition in life is to become a lawyer.

**DAVID A. TEATOR**

Where we think of baseball and soccer, we automatically think of Dave. Dave has played baseball for H. H. S. for three years and is letter man on the team. He has played soccer for four years, this year elected captain. This year Dave served the class of '54 as its vice-president, and has participated in such other activities as Student Council, Band and Student Service Committee. The class of '54 says good luck to this good-looking floor monitor, who loves to tease little and big girls alike!



**DARIA A. SYROTIUK**

"Music, music, music". This very definitely refers to Daria, who has given four years to choir and band, and who spends much of her free time listening to records and disc jockeys. Daria's greatest accomplishment would have to be decided between passing French II and graduating, although she did both very well.

**JANICE M. TEATOR**

You've probably all seen Janice working at a certain dry cleaning store in Hudson. She was among the first in our class to receive an engagement ring. Being dues collector for two years and banker for two years gave Janice the incentive to work for others. All her many friends at Hudson High wish her the best for the future.



**RICHARD A. TANNER**

Most of us have seen Dick working efficiently behind the soda fountain after school at Basen's. Dick enjoys taking part in sports, especially baseball. This quiet, cheerful senior, who wants everybody to know that he comes from Ghent, not North Clav-crack, has been busily pursuing a business course here at Hudson and hopes to enter the business field after graduation.



**KENNETH B. TEATOR**

Ken has been the quiet man of our sports teams. While others were playing before the crowds, Ken has been working behind the scenes as basketball manager for his last three years and as football manager this year. He has also taken on the duties of "Blue and Gold" boys' sports editor. We will all miss Ken, but to find out how much of a loss he will be, just ask our coaches.

### ROBERT C. THOMAS

Bob is an outstanding member of the Projection Club, having participated in it for all of his four years. Hunting takes up much of his time. During the summer, he can be seen busily working at Van's Dairy. Bob considers shop his favorite subject. After graduation, he would like to become a carpenter.



### NICHOLAS E. TIPPLE

"Doc", well known for his spontaneous "quips" in the classroom, has managed to hang onto his nickname throughout high school. He has been the mainstay of the violin section in our school orchestra during his four years and has gone out for track in all but his sophomore year. Nick, who enjoys hunting and likes the out-of-doors, plans on studying to be a forester after graduation.

### JENNIE C. TORCHIA

Jenny, who was a member of the Zero-Twenty Club in her junior and senior years, attained the office of president in her senior year. Among other things, Jenny has assisted our class by being dues collector for two years. Jenny was a member of the Dance Club in her first and second year. After school, she can be found working in Matties' Grocery Store.



### WILLIS VANALPHEN

"Junie", as Willis is so well known among his many friends, is one of those quiet, so it seems, seniors. If you follow "Junie" home after school, he'll probably lead you to his favorite pastime, tinkering around with any and all farm machinery. "Junie", who played J. V. football, hopes to enter the service when he graduates. We can safely say that Hudson High's loss will be Uncle Sam's gain.

### ROSE MARIE WHITESIDE

The two words that really describe Rosie are "human dynamo". If you want a job done, she's your girl and your worries are over. Such energy has brought her one of "The Owl" editorships this year, membership in the Forum and the Student Council, and the chairmanship of several dance committees. The class of '54 wishes her luck for future successes, too.



### BEVERLY J. TURK

This quiet, industrious girl has won herself many friends through her warm smile and friendly manner. Beverly's hobby is writing poetry, at which she is quite accomplished. After school hours she spends her time at Columbia Memorial Hospital, where she is a tray girl. Next year Beverly plans to enter the hospital for nurses' training.

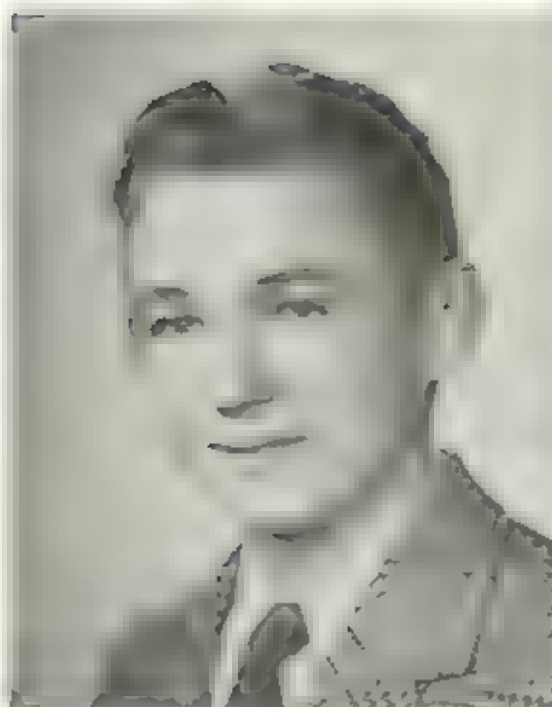






**NANCY C. WOLFF**

Nancy has played an important part in the music clubs, having been in the band and choir four years and the orchestra two years. She is prominent in many sports and is a member of the G. A. A. After graduation, Nancy plans on entering the Columbia Memorial Hospital to take up a nursing career.



**STEPHEN E. YANDIK**

If you ever see a small piper cub doing stunts over your house, it's probably Steve polishing up on his flying. Steve is happy to talk about anything that has to do with planes. If he isn't tinkering around with one of his planes, then he's either hunting or fishing. After high school, Steve will join the Air Force, and we all wish him "happy flying".



**PATRICIA YASINSKI**

She's blond, well dressed, cheerful and hails from Stottville. That's "Pat"! As a member of Zero-Twenty she can often be seen working in the library. In her spare time she likes to go to good movies. If you ever listen to WHUC, you're sure to have heard a request from Pat, who plans to work for a year after graduation and then proceed to college. Her cheerful personality will aid her in the future.



**ROSE M. GRAND**

Rose is not a newcomer to Hudson High, as she was a member of our class in her freshman and sophomore years. Although she returned to H. S. from Watervliet High too late to have her picture taken for the "Blue and Gold", all her friends here are glad to see her back. Membership in the Dance Club was Rose's main activity while here.



# Class Votes

	GIRL	BOY
<i>Class Actor</i>		Graham Hashbrouck
<i>Class Actress</i>	Marsha Goldstein	
<i>Class Artists</i>	Beverly Hickey	William Hallenbeck
<i>Class Athletes</i>	Mary Ellen Mink	Louis Payne
<i>Class Clowns</i>	Vecenza Sacco	William Keyser
<i>Class Couple</i>	Charlanne Bailey	James Esselstyn
<i>Best Dancers</i>	Catherine Barto	John Grandinetti
<i>Done Most for H.H.S.</i>	Charlanne Bailey	Robert Clowe
<i>Best Dressed</i>	Margaret Hall	Michael Chelelli
<i>Best Looking</i>	Joan Pratt	Louis Payne
<i>Class Musicians</i>	Joan Pratt	Robert Clowe
<i>Most Popular</i>	Margaret Hall	Louis Payne
<i>Short and Long of It</i>	Susan Himan	Nicholas Tipple
<i>Most Studious</i>	Sandra Epstein	Nicholas Tipple
<i>Most Likely to Succeed</i>	Charlanne Bailey	Joel Eisenberg
<i>Most Talkative</i>	Mona Moquin	Glenn Dallas
<i>Class Wolf</i>		Edward Bicjan
<i>Class Wolfess</i>	Barbara McCulloch	
	WOMAN	MAN
<i>Favorite Teacher</i>	Mrs. Ham	Mr. Styles





JOE E. IVORY

FIGHT

DOLPHS

GOLDERMANS

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MAR

DOLPHS

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# COMMUNITY

NOW SHOWING







## Office

The office was a cheery place,  
I really must admit,  
Unless, by some unfriendly deed,  
That's where you had to sit.

But, help was always offered there  
And valuable advice,  
Was given for the asking  
By folks who were so nice.

I send to that staff, one last farewell  
As off to the world I'm sent,  
And say to you all as I leave this place,  
"Thanks for the time you spent".

—Jane Magsamen

## Gym

What would we do without our gym,  
Without its wonderful dances?  
No fun decorating for her or him,  
No juggling of his finances.

What would we do without our gym,  
No basketball games to see.  
All our cheerleaders with vigor and vim,  
Would waste all that energy!

What would we do without our gym  
No one can really express it,  
HHS life would seem much more dim,  
And we're mighty glad we possess it!

—Sandra Epstein



## Library

I'll always remember this cozy room,  
When book reports were due.  
I really got to reading then,  
And all the pages flew.

But I didn't always read in there,  
Like a studious high school kid,  
For don't you think I fooled with friends?  
You bet I did!

—Jane Magsamen



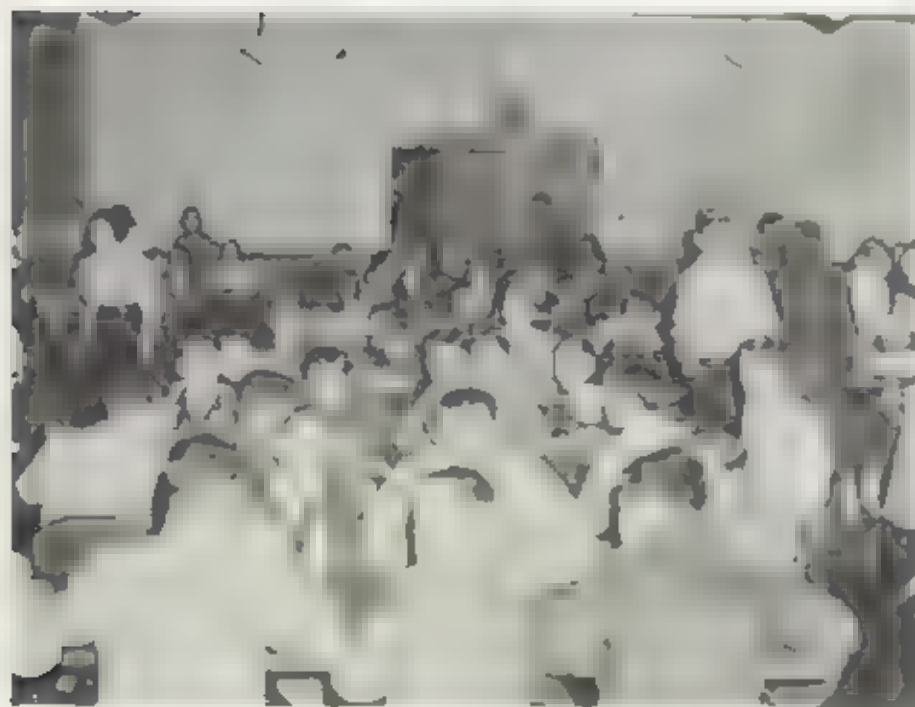
## Overstreet

Gallant forces march overstreet,  
Down the pathway in sun or sleet,  
Quickly walking rank and file,  
Into the Blue Anchor's doors they pile.

Some think another spot is fine,  
Outside of it looms the Rexall sign;  
Within it's tough to find a seat,  
Amid the mass of hands and feet.

At last a chair, let's get those cokes,  
And hear what's new and crack some jokes;  
So ends the marching, our day's complete,  
Tomorrow again we'll go overstreet.

—Sandra Epstein



## Cafeteria

My, what a time I used to have,  
A-running for that line.  
No matter just how fast I went,  
I never was in time.

But when I made my way along,  
And I finally got my eats,  
I usually lost my appetite,  
When someone yelled "No seats!"

—Jane Magsamen

## Drama Shop

In this place can be found, without any doubt,  
Old fashioned articles placed round-a-bout;  
Strange, wonderful garments are also found here,  
And all kinds of make-up ready to smear;

A voice of a student suddenly starts  
To outdo the others, reciting their parts;  
Posters and photos abound on each wall,  
Masks laughing and crying symbolize all;

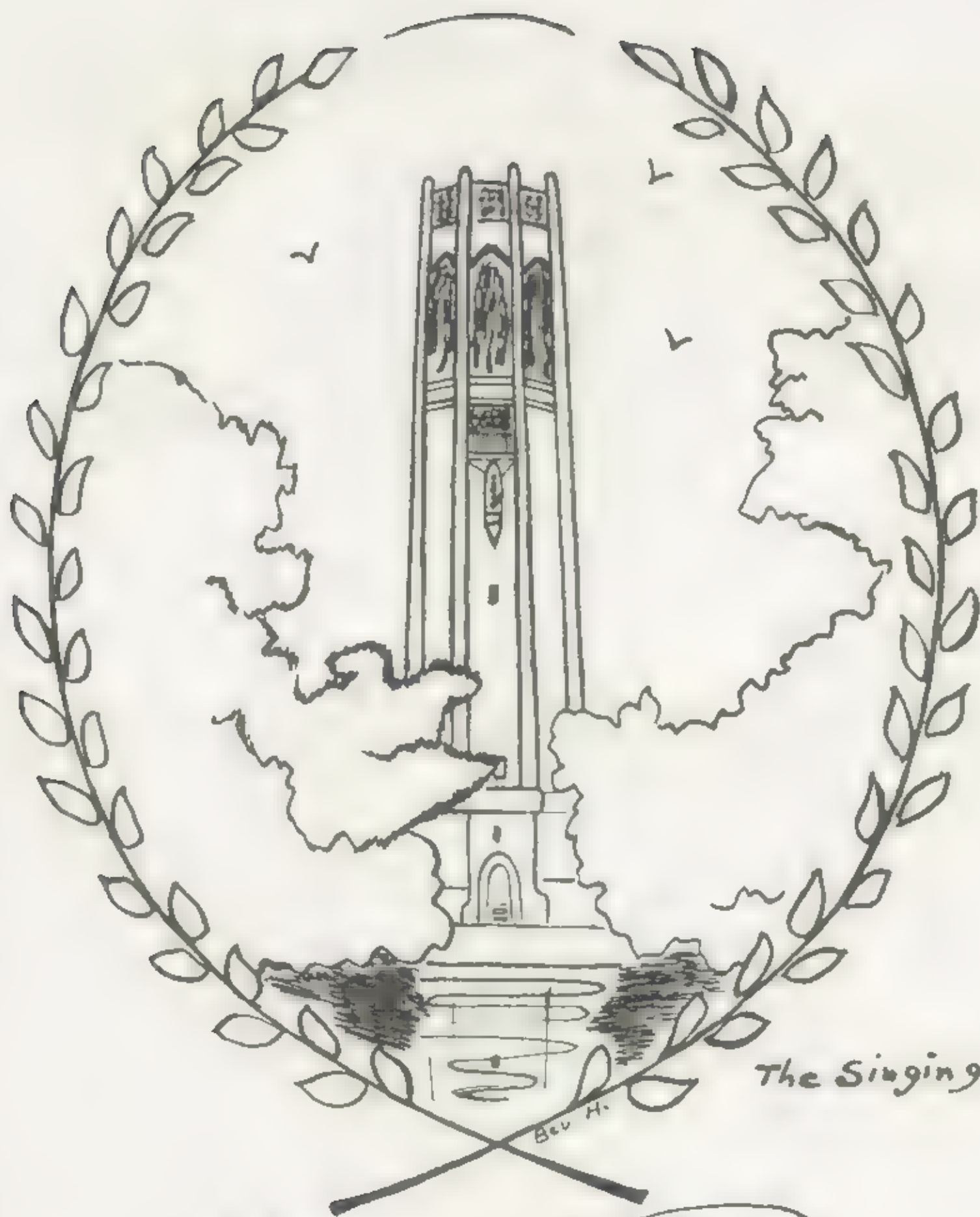
A good-humored fellow oversees his domain;  
As everyone knows Mr. Sullivan's his name;  
A word often used in this place is "prop"  
What room could it be but the drama shop.

—Sandra Epstein









*The Singing Tower*

Be Steadfast as a Tower  
That Doth Not Bend Its  
Stately Summit To The  
Tempest's Shock. -Dante-

# Underclassmen



# JUNIOR



*Front Row, left to right* Holt, Duda, Birk, McGee, Canape, Hotaling, Setalske, Rubino, Leicht, Orbon, White, Egan. *Second Row* W. Lamsen, Dauski, Phalo, Goldberg, Alexander, Madison, Eiger, Carter, Herberg, Thayer, Wing, Dursbaugh, Smith, H. Miller, Schermhorn. *Third Row*: Gambino, C. Miller, Scalley, Lands-

man, Boedecker, Leiser, Fisher, Millman, B. Holmes, Risch, Graziano, Swartz, Ham, Gregory, Scutto, Meltz, Teator, Schabot. *Fourth Row*: Minkler, Balgalvis, Seymour, Fark, Baker, DeJoy, Mahar, Bryant, Monthie, Scott, Gregory, Schneider, Sede, Ross, Sapkoz, Kuhner, Walsh.

In September of 1951, 185 prospective members of the class of "55" entered Hudson High School and quickly made themselves right at home. With the able assistance of their advisor Mr. Sugarman, things were soon underway following the election of the class officers: Lloyd Seaman, president; Gary Harrington, secretary; Vivian Clowe, treasurer; and Barbara Matte, assistant treasurer. The colors green and white and an emblem shaped as a shield were chosen to represent the class. The freshman dance, "The Spring Swing," was held in April and was a big success.

After a successful freshman year, the class of "55" looked forward to their second year at Hudson High. President, Ralph Baker; vice-president, John DeJoy; secretary, Ann Frankel; treasurer, Ruth Finn; and assistant treasurer, Roberta Hicks capably

## Officers

*Left to Right:* N. Firenze, J. DeJoy, R. Baker, L. Gregory, V. Clowe.



# CLASS



*Front Row, left to right:* Sheldon, Jenkins, Finn, Kilmer, Firenze, Nyfeler, Laidlaw, Moquin, Petroski, Salvatore, Bucholsky, Matana. *Second Row:* Egnasher, N. Bessette, P. Bessette, Baer, Boekhouse, Verney, Tiano, Studley, Dallas, Hicks, Matte, Polidor, Clowe, Jones, Delp. *Third*

*Row:* Kay, Moore, G. Miller, Caggianelli, Porto, Olm, Cuttita, Hart, Powell, Inman, Keil, Van Zandt. *Fourth Row:* Mueller, Johnson, FitzGerald, Ritrosky, Griffith, Shufelt, Shook, D. Holmes, Himmel, Welch, Wilson, Scheitinger, Tell, Cole, MacDougall.

officiated over the class activities with Mr. Ritacco advising. In December a very enjoyable dance "Mistletoe Magic", was presented by the class.

With the thought that their stay at Hudson High was half over, the new upperclassmen soon were busy in making preparations for the junior year. Those elected class officers were: Ralph Baker, president; John DeJoy, vice-president; Vivian Clowe, secretary; Lawrence Gregory, treasurer; and assistant treasurer, Nicholina Firenze. The duties of class advisor were undertaken by Mr. Westfall.

Among the many boys who have been active in sports during their stay at high school are: John DeJoy, Jimmy Matties, Arnis Balgalvis and Bill Scalley. Ruth Finn, Margaret Jenkins, Leonard Keil, and Vivian Clowe are a few of the large

number participating in the musical activities. Cheerleaders Beverly Jones and Barbara Canape have helped cheer the teams to victory. The football queen contest again was held with the junior class electing Vivian Clowe and Barbara Canape as candidates. Dave Powell was elected the assistant secretary of the Student Council. This year Mary Jane Engel took over the job of chairman of the ring committee.

Beverly Jones, Patricia Egnasher, June Rubino, Beth Egan, Vivian Clowe, Myron Ritrosky, and Wilson Ham were honored scholastically this year by being inducted into the National Honor Society. Among the many activities of the past year were the spring dance and the receiving of the class rings.



# SOPHOMORE

## HISTORY

The class of "56" entered Hudson High in September of 1952, 198 students strong. Under the guidance of Mr. Walsh, the first class meeting was held; as a result, the following were elected: president, Robert Wasserman; vice-president, Anthony Bucci; secretary, Stephen Novak; treasurer, Charles Alonge; and assistant treasurer, Richard Woodward. The class of "56" had its biggest event of the year, "The Gremlin Grab", the freshman dance, on March 13.

Not long after our summer recess, we were again electing officers. With Mrs. Huddleston as advisor, the



## Officers

*Left to Right: A. Bucci, R. Seymour,  
P. Groat, S. Novak, R. Koskey*



*Front Row, left to right: E. Patton, Moquin, Orbon, Studley, Needham, Scott, Thomas, Stickles, Nero, Nooney, Ziemba, Nelson, Nicholson, Peters, Myers. Second Row: Hughes, Smalley, A. Patton, Risch, Fenoff, Lessard, Sihler, Hermance, Miller, M. Torchia, Sackett, Pullen, Sheldon, M. J. Torchia, Stearns, Soule, Way, Webb, Wallace, Wolff, Ribar, Shorts. Third Row: Harris, Fleming, More-*

*lock, James Matties, Ressler, Palen, Hammerle, Swartz, Dinga, Fagan, M. Miller, Janice Matties, Utech, Hobbie, Proper, Phillips, Stickles, D. Stickles, Oldrich, Majercsik, Miller. Fourth Row: Sapko, Myer, Tokarchuk, Fonda, Steitz, VanLeuven, Brown, Rogers, Nack, Vilinskis, Seaman, Seymour, Schnitzer, Novak, Esselstyn, Moore, Ronzani, Meredith, Shook, Hallenbeck, Finn.*

# CLASS

following sophomore class officers were elected: president, Roger Seymour; vice-president, Stephen Novak; secretary, Anthony Bucci; treasurer, Richard Koskey; and assistant treasurer, Patricia Groat. The next attraction of our sophomore year was the football "Queen Contest" in which our own Patricia Peters was declared Queen; Dorothy Wallace was also a contestant from the sophomore class. This year the sophomore dance, "The Winter Whirl" was held on December 11 and once again was a big success.

The sophomore class is well represented on the school's sports teams. Outstanding sophomores in soccer, football, and basketball this year were Andrew Birznieks, Siegfred Heidemann, Gunnars Vilinskis, Raymond Husak, Edwin Bailey, Anthony Bucci, Richard Koskey, Bill McCall, Stephen Novak, and Roger Seymour.

The class of "56" is looking forward to its junior year, hoping to add to many accomplishments in the past two years.



*Front Row, left to right:* Bishop, Durham, Barksdale, Cole, Friss, Cesternino, Hermance, Veltri, Ham, Howard, Fink, Egan, Dunspaugh, D. Leggett, Corey. *Second Row:* Graziano, Engel, Austin, Groat, Levine, Diamond, Brusso, Bennett, Woodward, Solomon, Bondarchuck, DeJoy, Hover, Smith, Osterhoudt, Ringer, Gallinger, Skrocki, Kuhner, Mencas, Kostel. *Third Row:* Pauza, Bryan, Gillen, Heidemann, Stuckles, Gramoglia, Gable, J. Lyons,

Avery, Shunk, Wheeler, Formichelli, Fierer, R. Leggett, R. Lyons, Eberlin, Day. *Fourth Row:* Alonge, Krivo, DuPont, Bailey, Birznieks, Mabb, Renay, Isaacson, Bzirnko, McCall, Bartholomew, Clarke, Harp, Hardy, Lustiber, Erickson, Bicjan. *Fifth Row:* Rowen, Curcio, Wasserman, Husak, Bucci, Cotte, Ferrari, McNamera, Koskey, Jager, Harder.





*Front Row, left to right:* Kuzniak, Keil, Kreig, Leonard, M. Magee, N. Magee, Iaccino, Weaver, Lackland, Twombly, Horvath, Kitsock, Klima, Leavitt. *Second Row:* Shook, Howard, Waldorf, Piccola, Wagner, VanAlphan, Szepessy, Grippe, Turner, Simmons, M. Race, Stevenson, Stein, Clapp, Willis, Proper, Preston, Sheffer, Rooney, Scott, Leccese. *Third Row:* Wester, Tuczynski, Weaver, Thatcher, Sheak, Zovac, Vasilow, Shaw, Shook, Sheldon,

Scirico, Lynch, Madison, Ronsani, Hermance, Martins. *Fourth Row:* Weeks, Spencer, Turk, Warchol, Taylor, Tamburro, White, Brenzel, Mencas, Martino, Hawver, Hotaling, Shumsky, Shook, Madker, Seymour, Risch. *Fifth Row:* C. Rause, Turek, S. Race, Sapcoe, Solomon, Stalker, Rooney, Horner, Lasher, R. Rause, Rivenburg, Hughes, Hardy, Klein, Laudig, Keil, Solomon, Rowen, Slattery, Pullen.

# FRESHMAN

## HISTORY

History was in the making when 210 freshmen gathered in September of 1953 to become known as the class of '57. With Mr. Huddleston as class advisor, the following class officers were elected: president, Richard Hardy; vice-president, James Woodward; secretary, Ann Leavitt; treasurer, Harold Carter, and assistant treasurer, Susan Evans. The class of 1957 chose the colors blue and white and an emblem shaped as a shield. One of the biggest events of the year for the freshman class was its dance held on April 2.

The freshman homerooms chose their Student Council representatives as follows; Sondra Cukerstein, George Halloran, Richard Hardy, Jean Mulligan, James Shumsky, Elsie Unson, and Linda Willis.

## Officers

*Left to right:* H. Carter, J. Woodward, R. Hardy, A. Leavitt, J. Milligan.





*Front Row, left to right:* Floutin, Oakes, Evans, DeCintio, Parker, Bennett, Cukerstein, Conine, Colwell, Clark, Goodman, Hanson, Moquin, Gold. *Second Row:* Marshall, Marchunuke, Place, Milligan, Patterson, Harvey, Belterman, Graham, Hotaling, Garria, Annuskevicius, Finney, Gogoll, Arthur, Benner, Heidman, Graziano, Capelan, Banks, Downing. *Third Row:* Finger, Baer, Metz, Fisher, S. Miller, Mink, Middlebrook, McCannon, Nicholson, McGuire, McKay, Holmes, Bollinger, Beecher, Hoffman,

Engel, Dauski, Almstead, Delp. *Fourth Row:* Nickleson, Woodward, Moore, Niver, Spencer, Cisternino, Bell, Motoshiski, Halloran, Brown, Broussau, Conine, Carter, Bozik, Banks, Hallenbeck, Drevis, Elting, Bonifracio. *Fifth Row:* Molnar, Pollack, Moore, Parreault, Foster, Merritt, McNeal, Otty, Dingman, Fenoff, Gerber, Miller, Dolfax, Gardner, Disbrow, Curcio, Gregory, Cariseo, Nack, L. Miller.

## CLASS

Many members of the class have participated in the activities of the school including band, Choir, Charlatans, Owl, and others. Richard Hardy showed much talent in the acting of his part in the Charlatan presentation of "Christmas for a Junior Miss". Harry Carter also proved to be an outstanding singer in the Choir.

The freshman class produced many promising members for the school football, basketball, and soccer teams. Bernie Conine, "Lefty" Risch, and Henry Warchol will be great assets for the Varsity team in the future as shown by their outstanding play on the JV basketball team. Lou Pollack

also proved to be an outstanding football player as shown by his participation on the Varsity football squad. This year freshman cheerleading has been added to the school's extra-curricular activities. Those chosen were : Peggy Benner, Sally Conine, Sondra Cukerstein, Maureen Beecher, Paula Gold, Helen Kitsock, Ann Leavitt, Carol Patterson, Rose Piccola, Elizabeth Scirico, Marie Sheak, Judith Scott, Esther Stein, and Ann Turner.

The class of "57" has enjoyed its classes, clubs, and sports during the last year and is looking forward to three more pleasant years in Hudson High.





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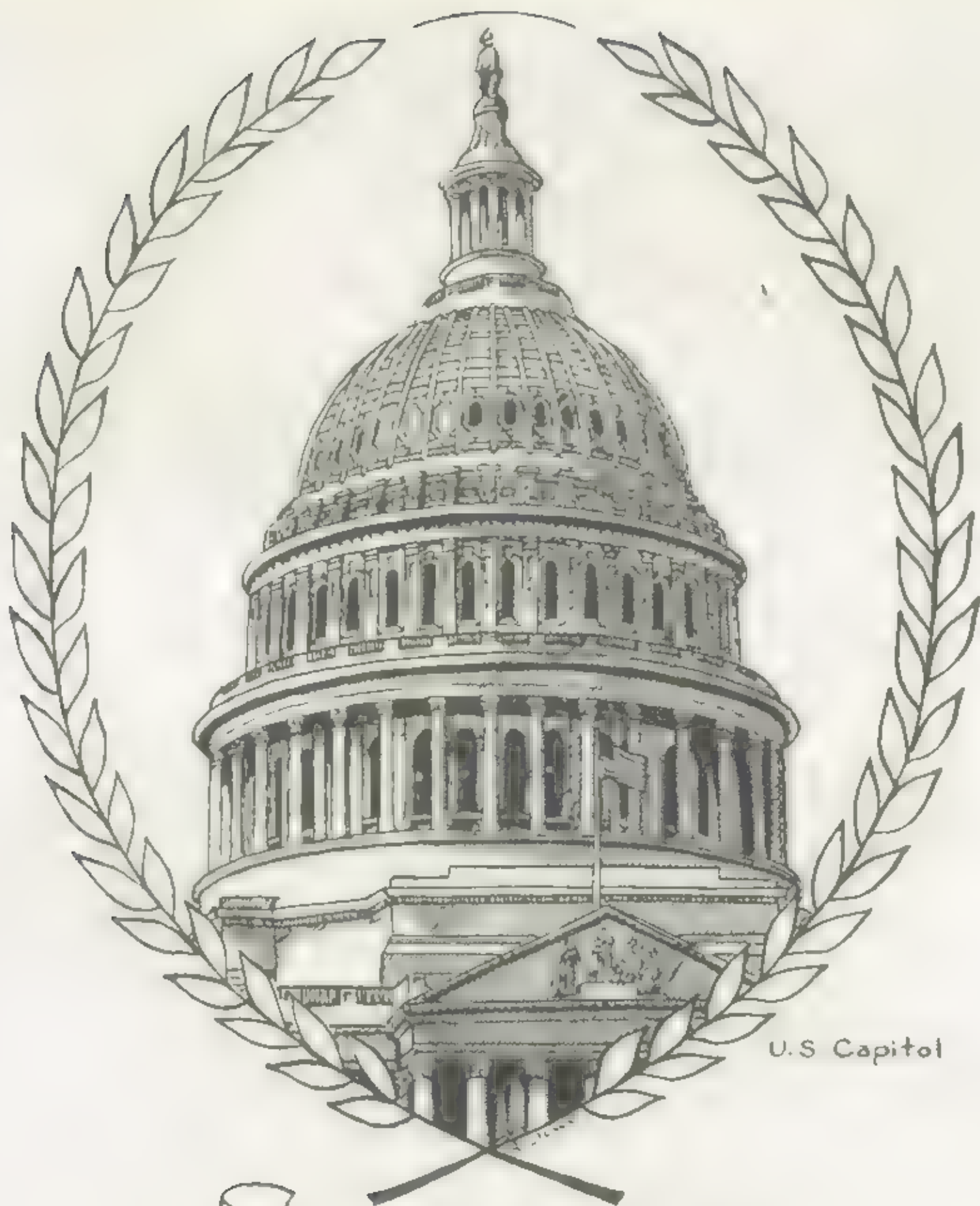


The twins are always on the double  
How do they ever keep out of trouble?  
We call one name, and there is another!  
We can't tell them apart; can their mother?  
Our class sets of twins are three  
It's sometimes confusing as can be.



Now Betty and Elaine are witty  
And everyone agrees they're pretty.  
Ruby and Ruth are a winning team;  
In sports they're always on the beam.  
Jean and Jane can write and draw;  
Their talents make us stand in awe.  
Can any class claim three or more?  
Proud are we of '54!

— Marilyn DuPont



Count that day lost  
whose low descending sun  
Views from thy hand  
no worthy action done.  
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# Activities



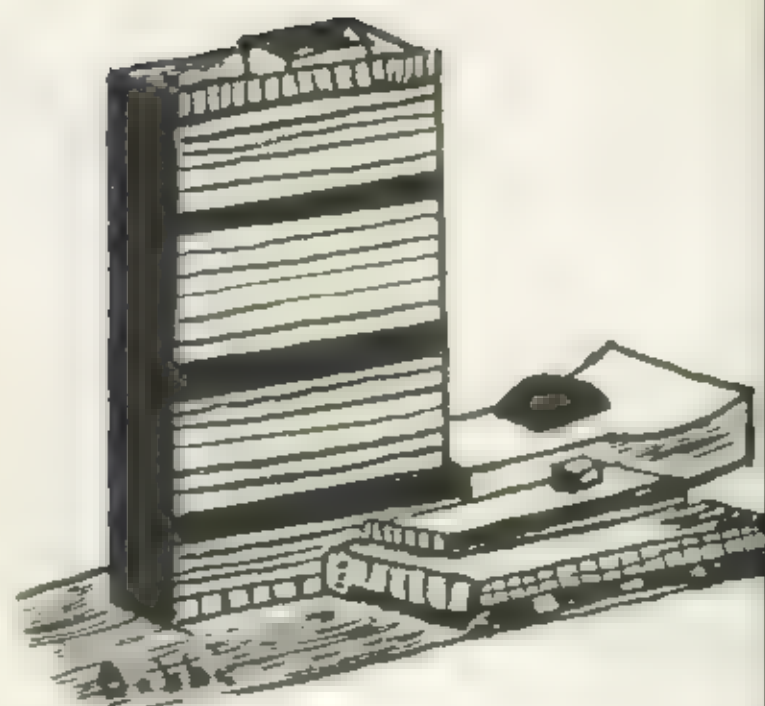
# Student Council

## OFFICERS

<i>President</i> .....	Charlanne Bailey
<i>Vice-President</i> .....	Joel Flaum
<i>Secretary</i> .....	Joan Pratt
<i>Treasurer</i> .....	Glenn Dallas
<i>Assistant Secretary</i> .....	David Powell

The purpose of the Student Council is to provide students with an opportunity for self-expression in the activities of the school and to promote the general welfare of the school.

The Student Council sponsored the first dance of the year held in October, was mainly responsible for the record-breaking attendance at the four night football games, appropriated a sum of money for the purpose of buying a TV set for the school, and has taken an active part in the County Student Council. The 1954 Student Council also sponsored the magazine sales, and it has helped the Community Chest and the March of Dimes drives.



*Front Row, left to right:* L. Weiss, D. Powell, J. Flaum, C. Bailey, G. Dallas, J. Pratt, D. Leggett. *Second Row:* J. Milligan, R. Hicks, B. Egan, R. Finn, R. M. Whiteside,

A. Colby, S. C. Keester, M. Diamond, Mr. Golding. *Third Row:* D. Williamson, J. Shumsky, G. Halloran, M. Chelelli, S. Poritzky, R. Baker, R. Hardy.





*Front Row, left to right:* K. Teator, R. Clowe, M. De Cinto, M. DuPont, W. Fingar, S. Baker, S. Epstein, G. Bartholomew, D. Alger, V. Pamiljans. *Second Row:* Mrs. Rainey, H. Sacco, P. Hall, J. Pratt, B. McCulloch, V. Sacco, A. Kennedy, J. Belknap, B. Bartholomew, V.

Mieske, B. Hickey, Mr. Westfall. *Third Row:* L. Feroe, T. Kirsumagi, B. Mynter, J. Esselstyn, M. Goldstein, E. Radun, J. Mugford, P. Engel, P. Ostrander, B. Hallenbeck, M. Johnson. *Absent:* C. Bailey, J. Gengenbach, R. House, J. Melius, S. Poritzky.

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*Photography Advisor* ..... Mr. Robert Kelley



*Front Row, left to right:* Salvatore, Polidor, Hicks, Way, Scott, Sapcoe, Conera, FitzGerald, Carter, Kael, Fisher, Hardy, Williamson, Barto, Finn, Matte, Gramaglia, Woodward. *Second Row:* McCulloch, Jones, B. J. Holmes, Groat, Studlev, Miller, Siedel, B. Holmes, Howatt, P. White, Klein, Fonda, Solomon, Skrocki, D. Stickles, Kuzmiak. *Third Row:* Utech, Nero, V. Clowe, Pattison,

Heidemann, Goldstein, Myers, Jager, Krivo, Hardy, Brayn, T. Stickles, Harris, Nooney, Nelson, Levine, Web, Wolfe. *Fourth Row:* Willis, Hermance, Thayer, Engel, Bucholsky, Dingman, Birzlieks, Seymour, Nack Nack, Weaver, Hall, Melius, Jenkins, J. White. *Piano:* R. Clowe. *Narrator:* K. Gillen. *Director:* Mr. Phillips.

## A Cappella Choir



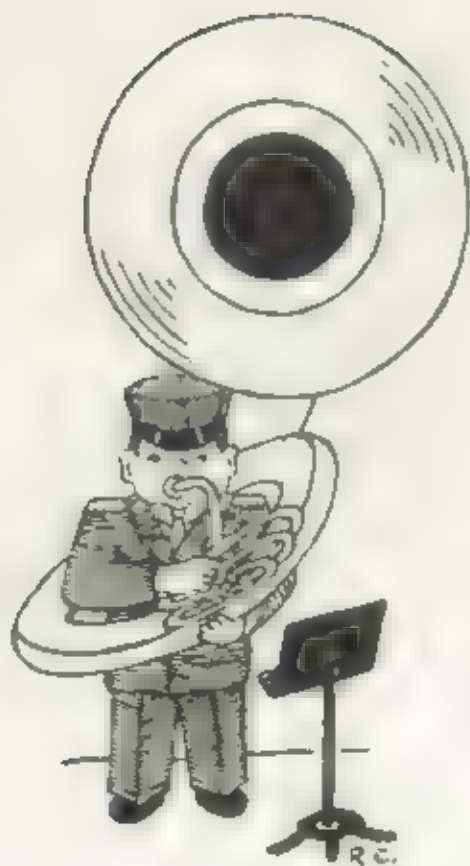
The purpose of the A Cappella Choir, directed by R. Steele Phillips, is to present a choral program for the students interested in singing.

The greatest achievement of the Choir this year was the program presented in December for the Winter Concert, which received wide acclaim. This concert was presented by the combined music organizations. Several members of the Choir were chosen to participate at the All-County Choir held in February. Other accomplishments of the year were the participation in the Columbia County Music Festival and the Spring Concert held in May.



# H.H.S. Band

The band, which is under the direction of Mr. Phillips, learns musical numbers which are presented to its many and varied audiences at football games, assemblies, parades, concerts, and exchange assemblies. Although the band appears to play each selection with ease, much time and effort are required on the part of the band members and the director in order to present a concert. The highlight for the band this summer will be a parade in New York City in July for the Lion's Club.



*Front Row, left to right:* Kuzmick, Golding, Niver, Conera, Duda, Utech, R. Clowe, Barto, Petroski, Hermance, Dallas, Melius, Engel. *Second Row:* Moquin, Bennett, Fisher, Hanson, Thayer, Nooney, Merritt, Keil, Nero, B. Bartholomew, Finn, Pratt, Hall, Cole. *Third Row:* Wallace, Esselstyn, R. Seymour, E. Howatt, Johnson, Hicks, Kuhner,

Veltri, Wolff, Woodward, Downing, DeJoy, Matte, V. Clowe, R. Nack, Weaver. *Fourth Row:* Delp, F. Howatt, Stalker, R. Bartholomew, M. Nack, L. Miller, Bryan, Baker, McNeal, Leavitt, White. *Fifth Row:* Sacco, Landsman, Hallenbeck, G. Seymour, Mr. Phillips, Alonge, Ronald Hardy, Golding, Richard Hardy.





*Front Row: Left to right: Dance Band—R. Egan, I. Pratt, L. Kie, J. Nero, B. Bartholomew, C. Alorge. Second Row: G. Kuhner, M. Johnson, R. Hicks, B. Matte, R. Nack, R. Clowe. Third Row: H. Bryan. Front Row: Girls'*

*Ensemble: B. McCulloch, A. Pattison, C. Ba to, B. J. Homes, H. Sisco, Mr. Phillips. Second Row: V. Clowe, B. Jones, J. Harris, P. Hall.*

## Dance Band And Choralettes



The purpose of the Dance Band and the Choralettes is to provide more specialized entertainment than either the band or Choir is able to do. The Dance Band provided music for dancing after many of the school's basketball games. The Choralettes displayed their fine ability and musical technique at performances at the Masonic Lodge, the County Ensemble program held in March, and the graduation exercises in June.

Whether the Dance Band and Choralettes perform separately or as a team, they can be depended on to do an excellent job.



*Front Row, left to right: Joel Eisenberg, Charlanne Bailey, Robert Clowe, Sally Baker. Second Row: Wendell Fingar, Vaira Pamiljans, Miss Dorothy Simon, Valeria Mieske, Merrill Johnson. Absent: Sandra Epstein. Inducted in March: Elaine Bortugno, Elizabeth Bortugno, Marsha Goldstein, Barbara McCulloch, Audrey Pattison, Vivian Clowe, Wilson Ham, Beth Egan, Beverly Jones, June Rubino, Myron Ritrosky, Patricia Egnasher.*

# National Honor Society

## OFFICERS

<i>President</i> .....	Robert Clowe
<i>Vice-President</i> .....	Charlanne Bailey
<i>Secretary</i> .....	Sally Baker
<i>Treasurer</i> .....	Joel Eisenberg

The National Honor Society is a nationwide organization whose purpose is to create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote worthy leadership, and to encourage the development of outstanding character in high school students. Students possessing these qualities receive recognition and are inducted into the society in December and March.

During the past year the group has participated in American Education Week activities and held scholarship classes. The members tutored for mid-year exams and held their formal induction in March. The final activities of the year were a banquet held in March and a recent picnic.







*Front Row:* left to right: Solomon, Nelson, Diamond, Vaslow, Stein, VanAlphen. *Second Row:* Harris, Orbon, Noones, Great-Oster, der-Hasbrouck, Goldstein, Golding, Himan, McNamara, Fink, Levine. *Third Row:* Shaw, Nicholson, H. Sacco, Palen, Ziemba, Needham, Bartholo-

now, Belknap, Hickes, A. Sacco, Panajans, Wallace, Grossman, Egan, Thomas, Oakes, Gold, Mr. Sullivan. *Fourth Row:* Engel, Tokatchuk, Fress, Jager, Gilbert, Stickles, Race, Birznieks, Flaum, Feroe, Myer, Clowe, Bailey, Koskey.

# Charlatans

## OFFICERS

*President* ..... Marsha Goldstein  
*Vice-President* ..... Graham Hasbrouck  
*Secretary* ..... Peter Ostrander  
*Treasurer* ..... Robert Golding



The "Charlatans" is a well-known organization in the student body. Under the direction of Mr. Francis Sullivan, this group has improved public relations of the school by presenting radio programs and plays at the New York State Training School for Girls and the Presbyterian Church. It has also presented non-profit performances for the student body, and throughout the day makes the announcements over the PA. This year, the "Charlatans" presented "The Marriage Proposal", "The Monkey's Paw", an adaptation of "Junior Miss", and a spring production "I Remember Mama".

Members of this organization have entered various speech and debate tournaments during the year and have earned excellent ratings. Outstanding members of this hard-working group are later inducted into the National Thespians.

*Front Row, left to right: Vecenza Sacco, Marsha Goldstein, Vaira Pam-  
iljans, Mr. Francis Sullivan. Second  
Row: Robert Golding, Robert Clowe,  
Layton Feroe, John Ormiston, Peter  
Ostrander, Graham Hasbrouck*

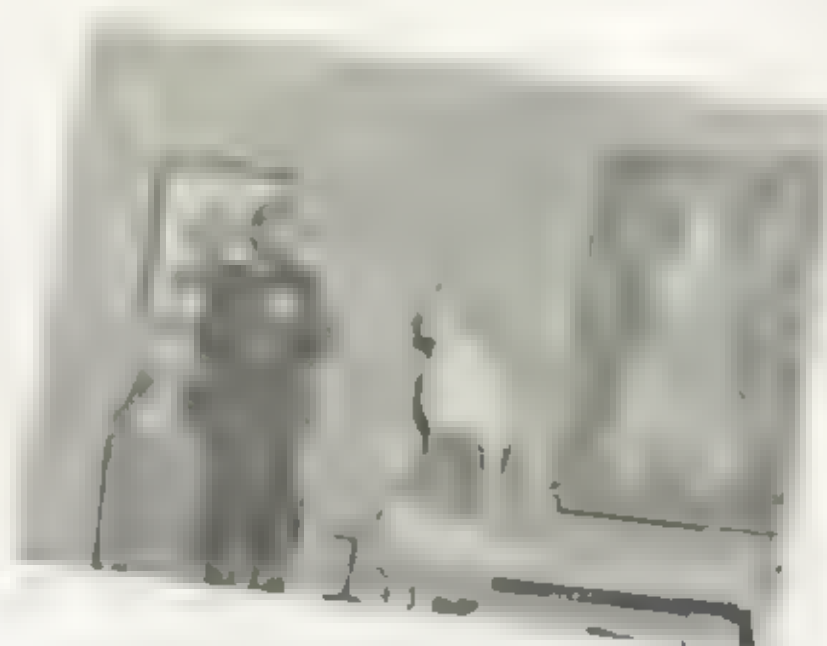


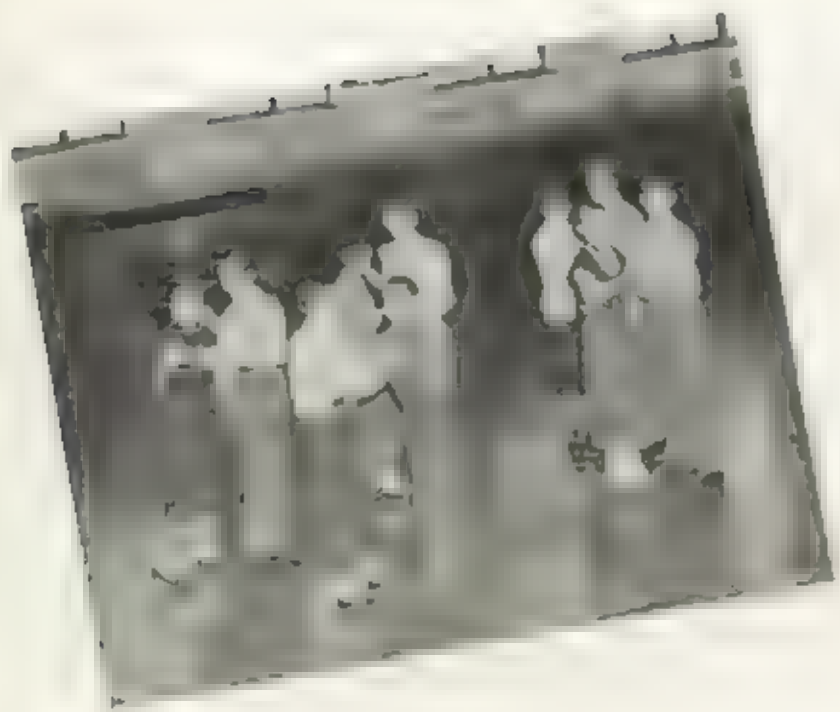
## National Thespians

### OFFICERS

<i>President</i> .	Marsha Goldstein
<i>Vice-President</i> .....	Graham Hasbrouck
<i>Secretary</i> .....	Peter Ostrander
<i>Treasurer</i> .....	Robert Golding

The aim of the National Thespians is to raise the level of drama appreciation in Hudson High School. The Thespians, advised by Mr. Francis Sullivan, is composed of students who have shown outstanding achievement in dramatics and related fields. Presenting a play every year of outstanding merit, this year "High Window", and providing leadership in the regular organization of the dramatic club, are the objectives of the members.





# Dance Club

Every alternate Tuesday the Dance Club assembles in the gym to learn the fundamentals of popular dancing. This year two enthusiastic directors, Miss Bell and Mrs. Sammon, are teaching dances such as waltzes, fox trots, and polkas. One hindrance of the Dance Club has been its lack of boy members. Next year, it is hoped that there will be a more equal number of boys and girls.



*Front Row, left to right:* J. Lackman, J. McCannon, E. McGuire, S. Miller, P. McKay, B. Bryan, B. Kreis, J. Parker, G. Fagan, G. Mercas, E. Wheeler. *Second Row:* Mrs. Sammon, J. Crucio, G. Metz, A. Leccese, A. Turner, R. Grippi, R. Szepessy, L. VanAlphen, R. Piccola, L. Heidemann, J. Floutin, D. Engel, M. Torchia, J. Hills, Miss Bell. *Third Row:* D. Barton, E. Almstead, D. Spath, A. Kuhner, R. Bonifatio, H. Niver, A. Moore, G. Miller, R. Otty, F. Rowen, J. Thomas, J. Tamburro.



# Forum

## OFFICERS

<i>President</i>	Joel Flaum
<i>Vice-President</i>	Frank Cuttita
<i>Secretary</i>	.. Carol Ham
<i>Treasurer</i>	..... Charles Inman

The Forum, advised by Miss Mary Gorman, provides students with assemblies, debates, conferences, and a chance for participation in the Mid-Hudson Student Congress.

This year the Forum has concentrated upon a study of local problems. Speakers were recruited from local labor unions and the State Training School for Girls, and a number of local politicians addressed the group on problems of civic interest.

Because of the thorough work of the Forum in recent years, this year H. H. S. was awarded a chapter from the National Forensic League.



*Front Row, left to right: B. Jones, B. McCulloch, S. Himan, J. Melius. Second Row: M. Engel, C. Inman, C. Ham, J. Flaum, F. Cuttita, J. Ormiston, A. Kennedy, N. Firenze. Third Row: R. Verney, V. Sacco, R. Whiteside, J. Grossman, J. Belknap, A. Colby, R. Bank, T. Laidlaw, B. Egan, Miss Gorman. Fourth Row: F. Krivo, H. Bryan, R. Husak, S. Poritzky, E. Seidel, D. Powell, W. Clarke, M. Klein.*



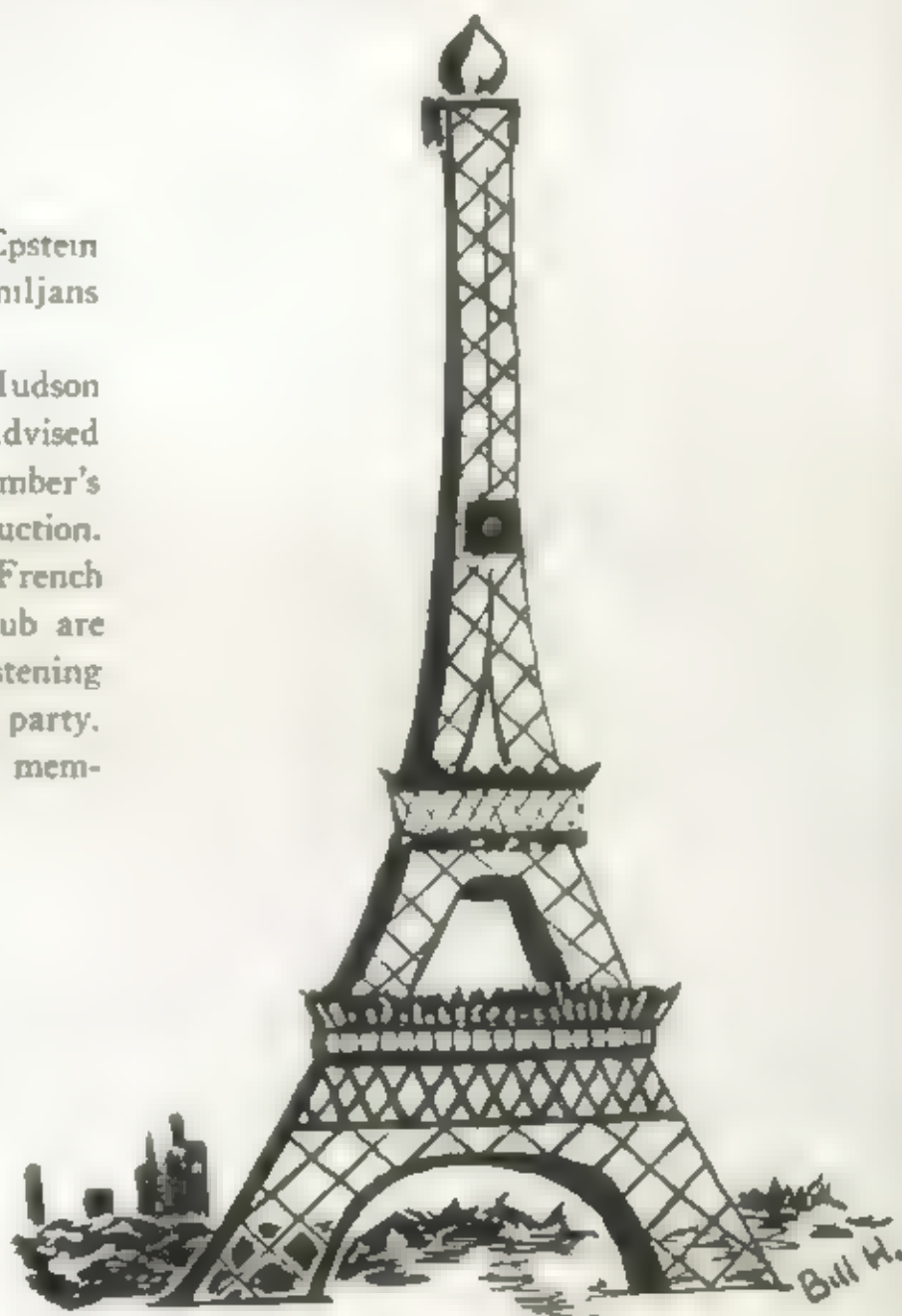
*Front Row, left to right: A. Kennedy, M. Nyfeler, R. Whiteside, R. House, T. Laidlaw, B. Egan, L. Egan, J. Graziano. Second Row: K. Fink, D. Syrotiuk, V. Pamiljans, J. Ormiston, B. Jones, Miss Wolcott, N. Firenze. Third Row: W. Ham, E. Myer, M. Ritrosky, G. Hasbrouck, H. Schnitzer, D. Williamson. Absent: Sandra Epstein.*

# Le Cercle Français

## OFFICERS

*President* ..... Sandra Epstein  
*Council Members* ..... Beverly Jones, Vaira Pamiljans

Le Cercle Français, the only language club in Hudson High School, combines education with pleasure. Advised by Miss Dorothy Wolcott, it seeks to improve each member's knowledge of French through amusement and instruction. The French Club is open to second and third year French students only. Among the many activities of the club are films, French games, reports on famous Frenchmen, listening to phonograph records, and an annual Christmas party. Learning through pleasure awaits the French Club members





# Girls' Athletic Association



*Front Row, left to right:* Scott, Kuhner, Jean Magsamen, Mink, Jane Magsamen, House, Scott, Sikoskie, Matano, Graham. *Second Row:* Matties, Engel, Salvadore, Salomon, Orbon, Diamond, Graziano, Conine, Woodward, Downing, Banks. *Third Row:* Utech, Nelson, Wallace,

Twombly, Epstein, Delp, Unson, Bartholomew, Mink, Wolff. *Fourth Row:* Miss Bell, Rooney, McGee, Moquin, Howard, Levine, Firenze, Hamm, Holman, Hotaling, Hal-lenbeck, Kreig, Leonard

## ADVISORY BOARD

*President* .. . . . Mary Ellen Mink  
*Secretary* . . . . . Ann Scott  
*Treasurer* .. . . . Helen Sikoskie

The purpose of the Girls' Athletic Association is to promote interest in girls' athletics, to assist with any problem connected with girls' athletics, and to promote the spirit of good sportsmanship.

Under the guidance of Miss Elizabeth Bell, a large selection of sports is offered, such as: hockey, tennis, basketball, badminton, bowling, volleyball, archery, softball, table tennis, track, and camping. Throughout the entire year the girls have participated in playdays at home and away, and presented their annual dance on March 12.





*Front Row, left to right* Rubino, Fink, Gold, Firenze, Whiteside, Mink, McCulloch, Nero, Petroski, Brusso. *Second Row* Miss Raymond, Solomon, DeJoy, Bishop, Salvatore, Burns, Weiss, DuPont, Mieske, Goldstein, Holdridge, Sacco, Levine, Bennett, Mrs. O'Rourke. *Third*

*Row:* McGee, Patton, Pattison, Bartholomew, Grener, Hall, Melius, Belknap, Arthur, Ham, Laidlaw, Leggett, Mr. Westfall. *Fourth Row:* Miller, Kilmer, Bink, Egan, Williamson, Seidel, Bryan, T. Stickles, Conera, Weaver, D. Stickles, Wolff

# The Owl

## CO-EDITORS

Marv Ellen Mink    Barbara McCulloch    Rose Marie Whiteside

An important part of Hudson High life is its school paper, the "Owl", now in its thirty-second year of publication. The main objective of the "Owl" is to provide an accurate record of the activities of the school and to help train students interested in journalistic work.

One of the outstanding achievements of the "Owl" this year was the establishment of a local chapter of "Quill and Scroll" to reward individual achievement in newspaper work for members of the staff.

The co-editors named above were aided this year by: business managers Carolyn Petroski and Edith Baer; head typist, Marie Nero; and circulation manager, Nicholina Firenze. Advisers were: Mrs. Elizabeth O'Rourke and Miss Alsiee Raymond, editorial staff; and Mr. Paul Westfall, business staff.





*Front Row, left to right: B. Myers, C. Woodward, D. Moquin, M. DeJoy, B. Holmes, J. Ritrosky, C. Inman, P. Groat, P. Nelson, M. Diamond, S. Himan, Second Row: S. Grener, M. Nero, J. Nooney, J. Nicholson, D. Hermance, J. Gengenback, J. Grossman, D. Moquin, K. Nero, M.*

*Utech, N. Howard, R. Ringer, Mr. Kelley. Third Row: J. Fierer, A. Poles, P. Engel, D. Hudson, W. Kilmer, A. Birznicka, A. Griffith, G. Kuhner, H. FitzGerald, M. Ritrosky, A. Remy, H. Sears, D. Powell, R. Golding.*

# Photography Club

## OFFICERS

<i>President</i>	.....	John Ritrosky
<i>Vice-President</i>	..	Charles Inman
<i>Secretary</i>	.	Betty Jean Holmes

The Photo Club, advised by Mr. Robert Kelley, is composed of students who are interested in learning about photography and students who want to add to their knowledge of photography.

The biggest job of the Photo Club is taking informal pictures for the "Blue and Gold". Evidence of the Photo Club's excellent work can be seen in the informals in this book and in the "Class Votes" drawing which was done by the Photo Club with the artistic talent supplied by Peter Engel and Bill Kilmer.

Other activities of the Photo Club include taking pictures for the "Owl" and preparing exhibits for the library.





# Projection Club

## OFFICERS

<i>President</i> .....	Glenn Dallas
<i>Vice-President</i> .....	David Powell
<i>Secretary</i> .....	Mary Ellen Mink
<i>Treasurer</i> .....	Fred Harder

Projection Club members are taught to operate and service all equipment, including the slide projector, record players, motion picture projectors, and the tape recorder. After a member has learned the use of all the equipment, he is given a Bell-Howell test and receives a certificate if he passes. Members also schedule the films and handle the mailing of them.

Since the Projection Club shows nearly 300 movies a year for use in classwork, every student in H. H. S. has at some time been benefited by this service organization.

*Front Row left to right:* G. Golding, Baer, Rooney, Carter, Klein, Sapcoe, B. Hermance, Gregory, Hughes, Borik. *Second Row:* J. Hermance, Wilson, B. J. Holmes, M. Moquin, Sikoskie, Harder, Dallas, Powell, Mink, Myers, Scott, D. Moquin. *Third Row:* Formichelli, Brenzel, Bartholomew, Leiser, Gregory, Kilmer, Himmel,

Sapcoe, Scalera, Ostrander, Kosnick, Morelock, B. Holmes, Spath, Shumsky, Seymour, Patzwahl, R. Golding, Mr. Leahy. *Fourth Row:* Washburn, Landsman, Fonda, Avery, Keil, Mahar, Scheitinger, Tamburro, Torchia, Ronsani, Meredith, Nicholson, F. Rowen, J. Rowen, Teator, McNeal, Macher.







*Front Row, left to right* Marsha Goldstein, Audrey Pat-  
tison, Vaira Pamljans, Peter Ostrander, Wendell Fingar,  
James Esselstyn, Charianne Bailey. *Second Row* Mary  
Mink, Elizabeth Bortugno, Elaine Bortugno, Betty Bar-

tholomew, Valeria Mieske, Sandra Epstein, Mr. James  
Styles. *Third Row* Joe Eisenberg, Peter Engel, Merrill  
Johnson, David Hudson, Harold Stein, John Ritrosky.

## Science Club

### OFFICERS

<i>President</i> .....	Peter Ostrander
<i>Vice-President</i> .....	Vaira Pamljans
<i>Secretary</i> ...	Wendell Fingar
<i>Treasurer</i> ..	James Esselstyn

The Science Club, with Mr. James Styles as faculty advisor, tries to create and further scientific interests of members through demonstrations, lectures, movies, and field trips.

Each member is required to present a lecture or demonstration once a year. Demonstrations this year were on a variety of subjects, such as, plastics, radio, rifles, etc. This year two field trips were taken, one in November and one in May. Places visited included General Electric of Pittsfield, Sterling-Winthrop Research Institute in Rensselaer, and the Albany Felt Company.





*Front Row, left to right: Mink, Frassa, Himan, Firenze, Magsamen, McTygue, Epstein. Second Row: McCulloch, Goldstein, H. Sacco, Colby, Poritzky, Esselstyn, Eisenberg, S. Baker, V. Sacco, Whiteside, Holdridge. Third Row: Mr. Golding, Sikoske, Melius, Hall, Gengenbach, Minkler, Balgalvis, Kilmer, Canape, Nack, Belknap, Bartholomew, Pattison, Delp. Fourth Row: Payne, Mynter, Teator, DeJoy, Race, Hallenbeck, Engel, Inman, R. Baker, Kosnick, Golding.*

# Student Service Committee



## OFFICERS

*Chairman* ..... James Esselstyn

### *Floor Captains:*

Anne Colby

Sander Poritzky

Joel Eisenberg

The primary function of the Student Service Committee is to keep order in the halls and to help make other school functions run smoothly. Aside from having regular hall and noon-hour posts, the members also collect the absentee cards, act as guides and ushers, and sell tickets at basketball and football games.

The S. S. C. is a sub-committee of the Student Council and is advised by Mr. Golding. It is composed of juniors and seniors who are chosen by the Student Council officers and approved by the administration. The reward of the Student Service Committee is the praise they receive year after year from the school administration and the members of the community for their job of helping school functions to run smoothly.



*Front Row, left to right: R. Verney, C. Boekhouse, P. Egnasher, J. Rubino, J. Torchia, S. McTygue, J. Taylor, E. Pullen, J. Shook. Second Row: P. Alexander, J. Yates, A. Peil, A. Metz, J. Matties, J. Lackmann, B. Wing, E.*

*Radun, C. Schermerhorn, L. Egan, B. Egan, E. Dunspaugh, Miss Chace. Third Row: E. Baer, M. Nyfeler, N. Canada, S. Miller, M. Beecher, C. Patterson, L. Porreca, L. Scince, J. Bergett, M. Buffa, S. Durtz, M. Race*

## Zero-Twenty

### OFFICERS

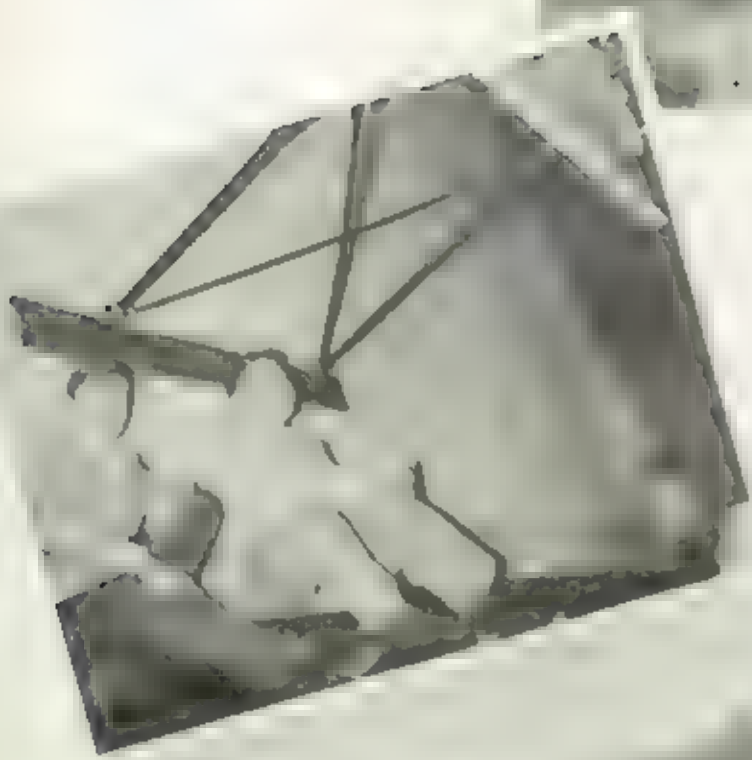
<i>President</i>	Jennie Torchia
<i>Vice-President</i>	Shirley McTygue
<i>Secretary</i>	Patricia Egnasher
<i>Treasurer</i>	June Rubino

Every student has, probably, at one time or another come in contact with a member of the Zero-Twenty Club. These girls work at the library desk, help students find books, take inventory, set up exhibits, and do many other tasks to assist our librarian and their advisor, Miss Beatrice Chace.

During their meetings, the girls participate in organized games and have parties on holidays. This past year they have set up a point system that entitles a girl to credits each time she works.

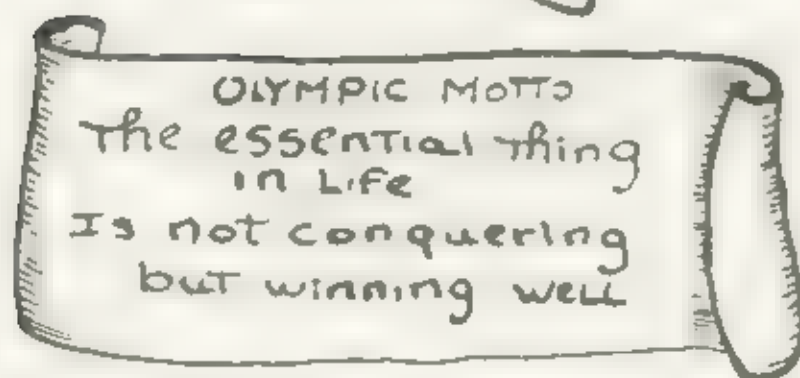




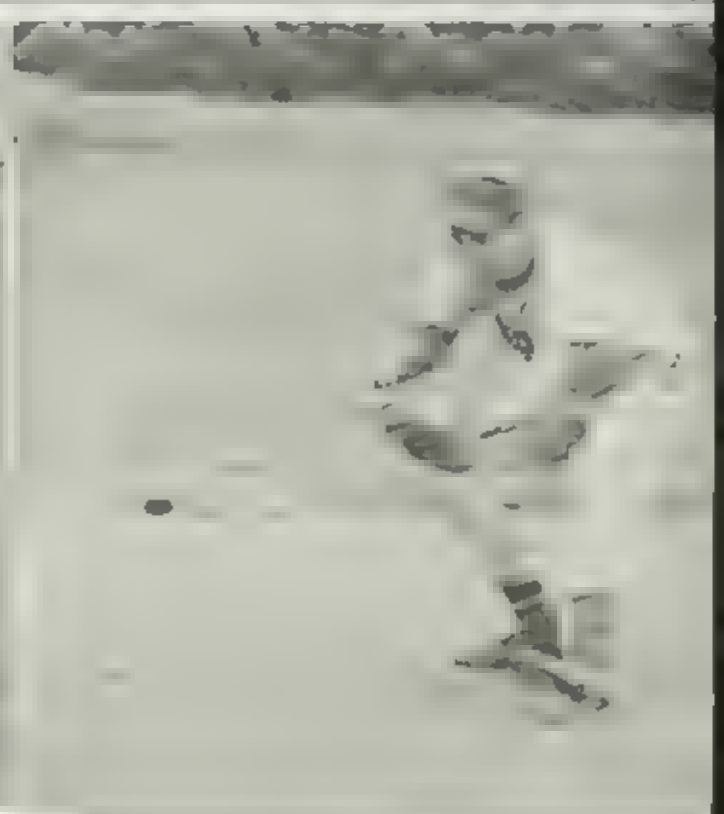
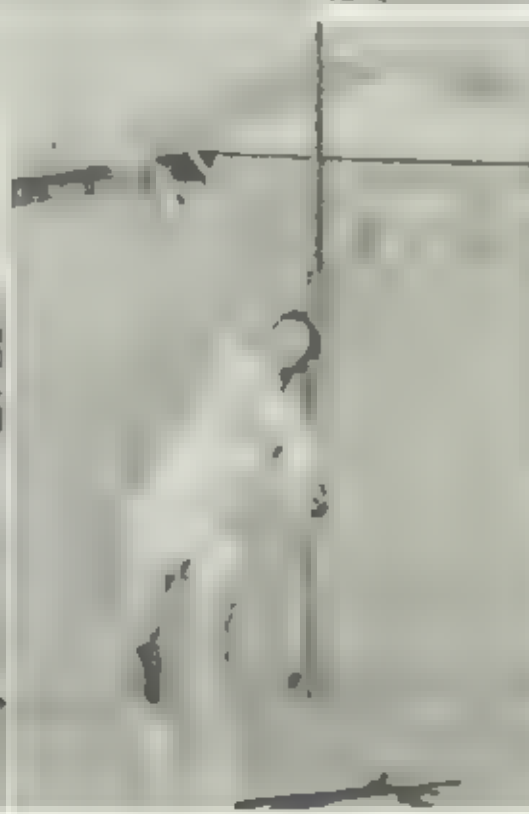
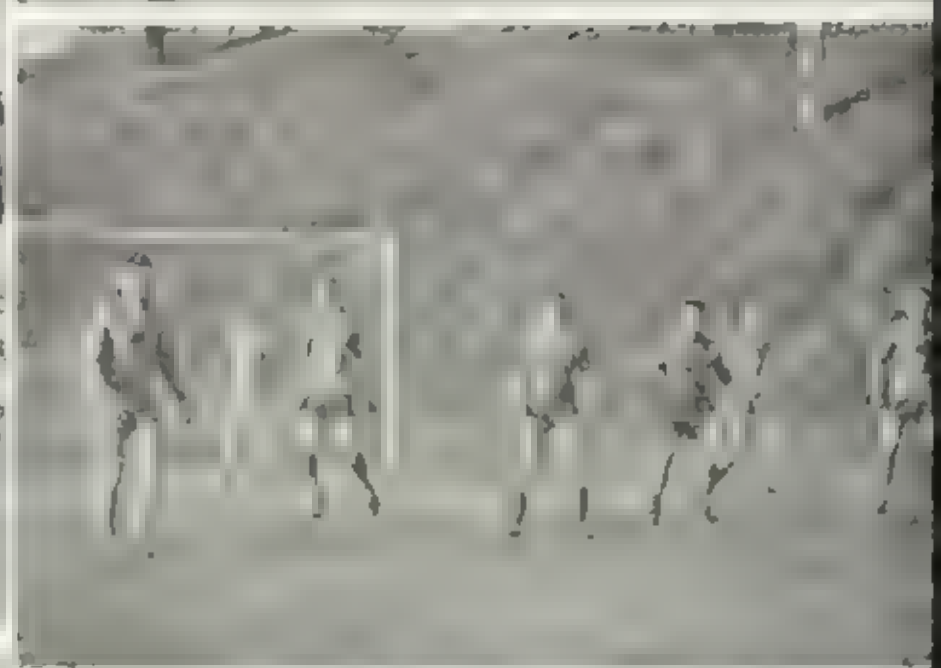


## Students at Ease





# Sports







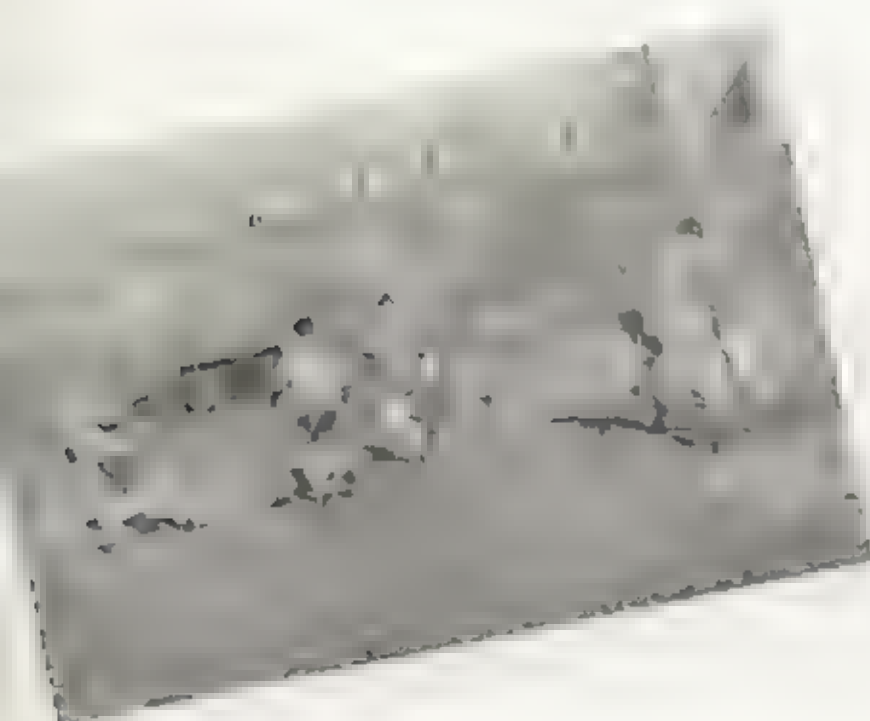
*Front Row, left to right: S. Heidemann, R. Holmes, D. Teator, R. Kosnick, J. Sciutto, J. Eisenberg. Second Row: Mr. Huddleston, D. Powell, L. Payne, G. Vilinskis, J.*

*Flaum, P. Engel, H. Bryan, G. Golding. Third Row: J. Hatheway, P. Ostrander, D. Barton, W. Hallenbeck, L. Tell, A. Barznieks, R. Husak.*

## Soccer

The soccer squad ran into a little rough luck last fall, but still came up with a three win and five loss record. The boys fought hard in every game and have reason to be proud of their team. One of their major victories was the 6-0 defeat pinned on Valatie High, the county champs.

Dave Teator proved a worthy captain and helped to organize the club on the field. Bill Hallenbeck, goalie, will be greatly missed at that position by Coach Huddleston. Lou Payne and Joel Eisenberg rounded out the senior strength. Gunnars Vilinskis and Ray Husak will be back next fall and should form the backbone of the new squad.



### SCORES

	We	They
Cairo	. 0	2
New Lebanon .	. 0	2
Berlin	. 3	2
New Lebanon .	. 5	2
Valatie	. 2	8
Cairo . . . . .	. 0	7
Valatie .	. 6	0
Berlin . .	. 1	6



# FOOT

## JUNIOR VARSITY SCORES

	We	They
Tannersville V. ....	0	34
Columbia J. V. ....	31	7
Red Hook V. ....	0	40
B.C.H.S. J. V. ....	8	6

"They would be lucky if they won a game. They were too 'green'; they were too small". These are the things that were being said about Hudson High's grid team before the start of the season. But once they were turned loose on the field, the Bluehawks began to fly. Coach Murtagh, in his first year at Hudson, along with Coach Czark and Coach Sammon, had put together one of the finest teams that ever wore the Blue and Gold colors. They lost only twice while running up five victories. This fine team was built around two things, speed and spirit. They were small, but they hit fast and hard. It would be difficult to list those who brought so much success to the team. It would be hard to pick a

*Mynter*



*Sears*



*Esselstyn*





*Front Row, left to right: Patzwahl, Keyser, Mynter, Scalley, Baker, McCall, J. Esselstyn, Kirsimagi, DeJoy, McDougall, Novak, Canape, Matties, Pollack. Second Row: Teator, Bates, Risch, Olm, Scalera, Seymour, Chelelli, Himmel, Sears, Hermance, Kilmer, J. Ritrosky, C. Miller, Monthie, A. Esselstyn, Delamater, Cole. Third Row: Mr. Sammon, Mr. Czark, McNeal, Turk, Mueller, G. Miller, M. Ritrosky, Isaacson, Conine, Shufelt, Harris, Conera, Hawver, Taylor, Hills, Coach Murtagh, Coach Atkins.*

# BALL

## Varsity Scores

	We	They
Draper	14	0
Scotia	19	0
Cohoes	19	7
Columbia .....	14	33
Lansingburg .....	26	0
Consackie Athens	18	0
Watervliet .....	18	19

star. There was the sensational running of Barry Mynter and Tom Canape, the drive of Steve Novak, and the ball handling of Jimmy Matties. There was also that great line led by hard-charging Jim Esselstyn and Tonu Kirsimagi. As Coach Murtagh said, "We didn't have any individual stars; we had a team".

The Junior Varsity squad, under Coach Sammon, compiled a record of two wins and two losses. Both of their defeats came at the hands of varsity teams. Like the varsity, speed and spirit won for the JV's. They had several fine players who will be able to step into Varsity positions in the coming years.

*Kirsimagi*

*DeJoy*

*Matties*







*Front Row, left to right: Coach Murtagh, Louis Payne, Gunnars Vilinskis, James Matties, John DeJoy, Glenn Dallas. Second Row: Michael Cbelelli, Hugh Bryant, Harold Sears, Franklin Shufelt, Tom Canape, Richard Nack, Kenneth Teator.*

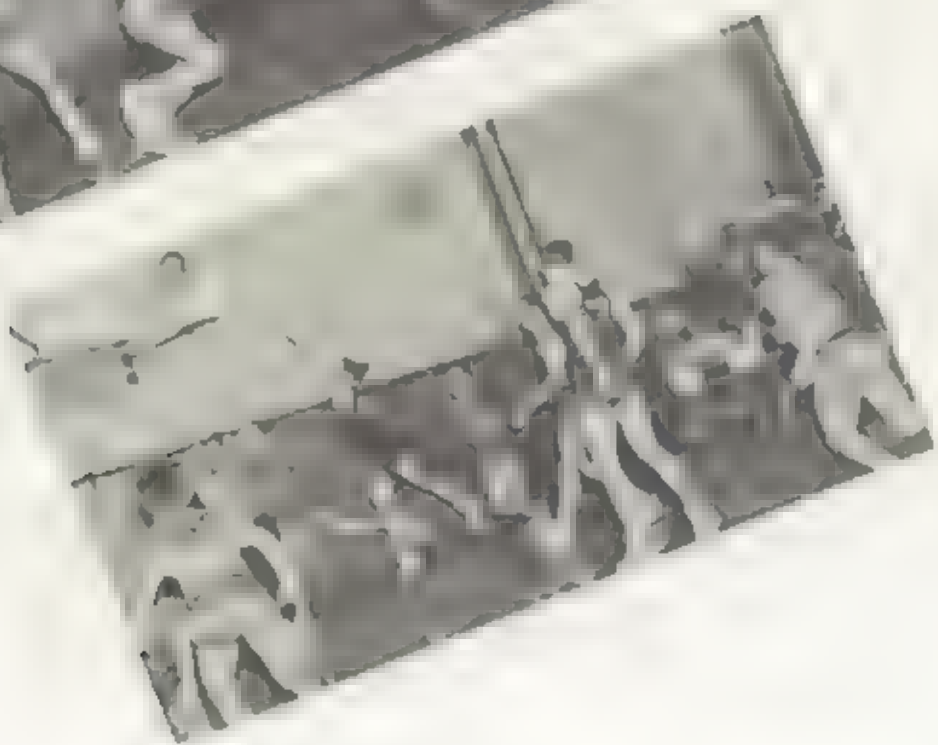
## VARSIITY BASKETBALL

### SCORES

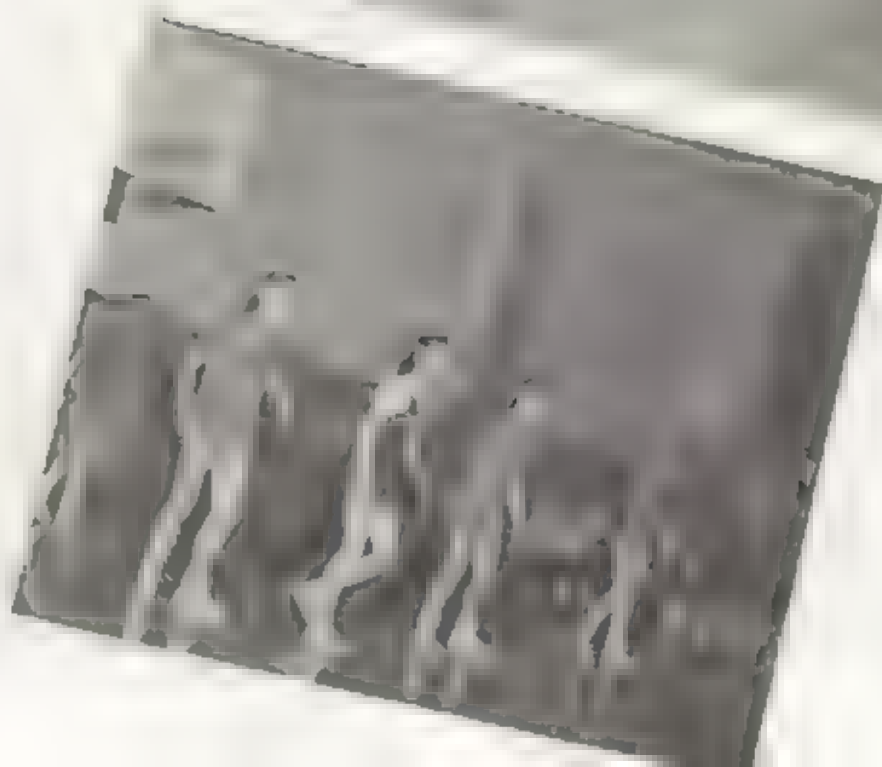
	We	They
Tannersville .....	46	47
Cohoes .....	51	56
Columbia .....	63	50
Lansingburgh .....	48	71
B. C. H. S. ....	35	75
Schuyler .....	46	75
Saugerties .....	73	71
Columbia .....	59	65
Kinderhook .....	60	45
Watervliet .....	83	95
Tannersville .....	83	66
Cohoes .....	49	54
Lansingburgh .....	66	86
Schuyler ..	53	65
Saugerties .	100	74
Kinderhook .....	78	51
B. C. H. S. ....	48	55
Watervliet .....	62	57

The Bluehawks had a hot and cold 1953-1954 season. Although they went without a win in eight Eastern Scholastic Conference games, a record of 6 wins and 4 losses was achieved against non-conference competition.

Gunnars Vilinskis shattered the Hudson High record for the most points scored by one player in a game when he racked up 49 points against Saugerties. Gunnars went on to break the H. H. S. season scoring record by establishing an all-time high of 364 points, breaking the previous record of 333 set by Charlie Fisher in 1952. The other two big scorers for the Bluehawks were Jim Matties and Lou Payne, who each scored about 250 points and confused their opponents with their lightning-like speed and deadly accuracy. In the backcourt, John DeJoy and Glenn Dallas did magnificent jobs in continually out-rebounding the taller capital district teams.



*Blackhawks In Action*



# Junior Varsity Basketball



Front Row, left to right: D. O'm, R. Holmes, C. Risch, R. Seymour, A. Birznicks, A. Baker, R. Kasey, S. Novak. Second Row: G. McNeal, H. Bryan, R. Wasserman, H. Warchol, R. Isaacson, E. Bassev, J. Harris, Coach Murtagh.

Like the Varsity, the JV's were hampered by lack of height and experience. However, they managed to beat some of the capital district's top Junior Varsity teams. Included in their record were triumphs over Cohoes, Schuyler, and Lansingburgh. The top scorers on the JV's were Tony Bucci, "Lefty" Risch, and Roger Seymour. These boys, along with Frank Shufelt and Andy Birznicks, should be a great help to the varsity in the years to come. Coach Murtagh, who did double-duty as both varsity and JV coach, expects some top-flight basketball from these boys in the future.



## SCORES

	We	They		We	They
Tannersville .....	40	41	Watervliet .....	49	63
Cohoes .....	41	31	Tannersville .....	43	26
Columbia .....	33	58	Cohoes .....	41	46
Lansingburgh .....	46	51	Lansingburgh .....	41	39
B. C. H. S. ....	41	48	Schuyler .....	48	43
Schuyler .....	72	58	Saugerties .....	64	38
Saugerties .....	60	67	Kinderhook .....	31	26
Columbia .....	56	66	B. C. H. S. ....	62	50
Kinderhook .....	52	29	Watervliet .....	48	55





# V A R S I T Y

*Left to Right: Betty Jean Holmes, Barbara McCulloch, Martha Goldstein, Mona Moquin, Ellen Conine, Beverly Jones, Jane Pendergast*

## Cheerleaders

Throughout the last year the morale of our teams and the school as a whole has been pepped up by our Varsity and J.V. Cheerleaders. These bouncy girls have worked hard under the leadership of their invaluable manager Mona Moquin, so that they have been able to delight the student body as well as our visitors with the laudable results of their efforts. The acrobatic ability of the Varsity has been displayed in such stunts as cartwheels and splits. We should not forget the splendid work done by the team of the future stars, our J.V., for they have done a remarkable job of "cheering up" our junior varsity athletes.

The formation of a freshmen cheerleading squad was started this year, and it is hoped that it will become tradition, thus providing good training for our future J. V. and Varsity Cheerleaders.

## JAYVEE

*Left to Right: P. Polidor, G. Clark, B. Canape, J. Levine, C. Petroski, H. Sikoskie, P. Peters, J. Nicholson, S. McGee, A. Tiernan.*



# Baseball



*Front Row, left to right: J. Grandinetti, B. Hallenbeck, R. Grieger, J. Hermance, D. Teator, T. Gorman, J. Kitsock, J. Dudak, J. Van Buren. Second Row: Coach Atkins, D. Hudson, F. Werner, C. Smith, R. Cooley, G.*

*Dallas, J. Unson, L. Payne, L. Hermance. Third Row: J. Ressler, A. Bucci, J. Delamater, W. Scott, R. Holmes, R. Hallenbeck, R. Kosnick, L. Gregory, M. Chelelli, V. Palen*

Because of a lack of defensive power, the baseball team ran into some tough going during the season and finished with a record of six wins and eight losses. One of the brightest spots during the year was Jimmy Matties' one-hit shutout over Watervliet. Coach Atkins had some fine pitching turned in by Dick Grieger, John Hermance, Lou Payne, and Jim Matties. This, combined with the fine catching of John Unson and John Grandinetti, and the hitting of Tom Gorman, Jim Kitsock, Dave Teator, and Billy Hallenbeck, helped Hudson High over many rough spots during the season.

## SCORES

	We	They
Chatham . . . . .	6	1
Tannersville . . . . .	4	1
B. C. H. S. . . . .	2	7
Coxsackie-Athens . . . . .	4	5
B. C. H. S. . . . .	0	4
Coxsackie-Athens . . . . .	7	9
Watervliet . . . . .	1	0
Lansingburgh . . . . .	10	1
Chatham . . . . .	12	7
Lansingburgh . . . . .	2	5
Watervliet . . . . .	9	7
Cohoes . . . . .	0	3
Cohoes . . . . .	5	6
Saugerties . . . . .	5	7

# Track



Front Row: left to right, Robert Mathews, Joel Eisenberg, Paul Hoffman. Second Row: Stephen Novak, Harold Sears, Lenny Wise, Raymond Havak, Chester Van Ness, Joe Flaxm. Third Row: Coach Salerno, Jack Blake, Barry Mynter, Raymond Keyser, Nicholas Tipple, Richard Smith, Peter Curcio.

Coming up with a three win and four loss record last year, the Blue and Gold track squad had a fine season. Strong points for the team were the hurdles, half-mile, sprints, and pole vault. They scored  $6\frac{1}{3}$  points in the sectionals at Johnstown and finished fourth in the Eastern Scholastic Conference with 19 points.

A fast team of Blake, VanNess, Hoffman, and Mathews won the E.S.C. relay trophy. Barry Mynter set a new half-mile record, and Lenny Wise pole-vaulted to a first place tie in the sectionals. Harold Sears showed form and promise in the shot-put and discus department.

## SCORES

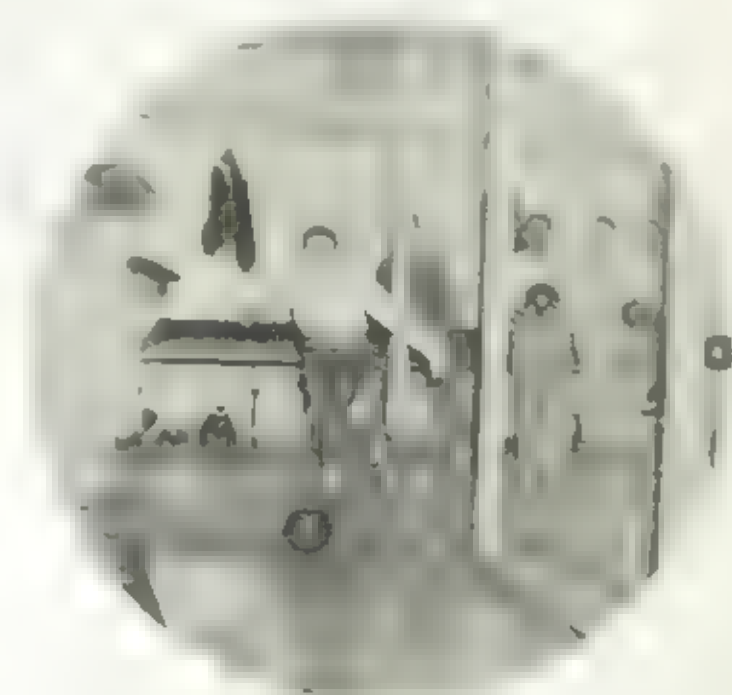
	We	They		We	They
Valatie .....	59½	37½	Saugerties .....	68	38
Scotia .....	39	61	Watervliet .....		29½
Tannersville .....	69½	35½	Lansingburgh .....	47	32½
Columbia .....	33½	68½	B. C. H. S. ....	41	62





*Front Row, left to right: R. Woodward, S. Millman, T. Stickles, C. Heermance, D. Stickles. Second Row: Coach Atkins, T. Remy, J. Weeks, M. Finn, D. Erickson, J. VanZandt, H. Carter, D. Spencer, L. Farreault, R. Banks.*

## Boys' Bowling



The Bowling Squad started out strong, but they hit some bad luck as the season wore on. This year our team is a member of the Eastern Scholastic Conference and they rolled to victory in their first three conference matches. The high single of the year was rolled by Dick Woodward as he ran up a 208 score against Cohoes.

Bowling at Hudson High started in a small way two years ago. That year they placed 19 out of 38 teams in the Section 2 Bowling Congress. Last year they finished 13 out of 38 teams. This year Coach Atkins had 26 boys report for tryouts. The squad now numbers eighteen. It is hoped that this fine sport may continue for many years at Hudson High.

### SCORES

	We	They
Draper ..	2	1
Scotia .	3	0
Draper .	3	0
Cohoes .	1	2
Mechanicville	1	2
Scotia	0	3
Cohoes	1	2
Mechanicville ...	1	2

# Girls' Tennis

*Front Row, left to right: D. Briwa, A. Holmes, M. Freeman. Second Row: M. Mink, B. Jones, D. Moquin, Miss Bell*

## SCORES

Varsity	We	They
Nott Terrace .....	3	1
Mt. Pleasant .....	4	0
Emma Willard .....	4	3
Columbia .....	4	1

Junior Varsity	We	They
Delmar .....	1	6
Germantown .....	5	0
Columbia .....	5	3



The girls' tennis team has proved itself to be a real credit to Hudson High. The Varsity girls had an undefeated season with four wins and no losses, and the J.V.'s suffered only one loss in three games.

# Boys' Tennis

## SCORES

	We	They
Scotia .....	4	3
Mt. Pleasant .	3	4
Nott Terrace .	3	4
Adams Academy .	3	4
Scotia	5	1
Mt. Pleasant .	3	4

The boys' tennis team came up with two wins against four defeats. However, at Schenectady, Sandy Poritzky, who won the Schoolmasters Trophy last fall, and Bob Blything captured the doubles championship against top notch competition.



*Front Row, left to right: R. Blything, S. Poritzky. Second Row: R. Seymour, R. Smith, J. Hatheway, Mr. Huddleston, F. Harder, A. Birznicks, D. Powell.*



*Front Row, left to right: J. Hotaling, J. Scott, M. Graham, S. Conine, Jean Magsamen, C. Woodward, R. House, R. Orbon, A. Scott, N. Firenze, S. Epstein, J. Matties. Second Row: L. Salvadore, C. Mink, M. Rooney, B. Kreig, Jane Magsamen, N. Wolff, R. Finn, R. Hicks, R. Banks, V. Twombly, D. C. Moquin, S. Hamm, M. Utech, P. Nelson, A. Kuhner, Miss Bell.*

The girls' squad participated in three games and a playday, winding up with a record of 1 win and 2 losses. A victory was recorded over Ockawamick. The capability of the team was due to a new high participation record, plus speed and height.

## Girls' Basketball

This is the first time in the history of Hudson High that the girls have had an organized bowling team. This fact was due mainly to the time spent by Mrs. Huddleston in coaching the girls. Even with the lack of experience, the girls were able to hold their own in two games with Albany High 591 to 678, 541 to 519. Joan Taylor paced the team with an average of 138.

## Girls' Bowling

*Front Row, left to right: M. Mink, M. Graham, M. Rooney, S. Conine, J. Scott, J. Taylor, R. Orbon, C. Woodward, A. Weaver, A. Scott. Second Row: Mrs. Huddleston, J. Hotaling, J. Shaw, C. Mink, J. McCannon, M. Nero, P. Zayac, R. Goodman, E. Downing, B. Kreig, J. Matties.*







*Mrs. Ruth C. Whitcomb*



*Mr. Mark Guthridge*

After 25 years of devoted teaching at Hudson High School, Mrs. Ruth Calkins Whitcomb left Hudson last November to move to Fulton, New York, where she and her husband now live. Mrs. Whitcomb had become well-known for her high degree of success in teaching biology and for her active membership in community activities. Her many friends among the students and faculty of H.H.S. wish to express their regret at seeing Mrs. Whitcomb leave Hudson and extend their best wishes in her new life.

Mr. Mark Guthridge, of Schodack Landing, came to Hudson High in November to teach biology with experience in his field. Mr. Guthridge was not a stranger to students, since he had previously acted as substitute biology teacher. The students of Hudson High wish the best of luck to Mr. Guthridge in his new duties.

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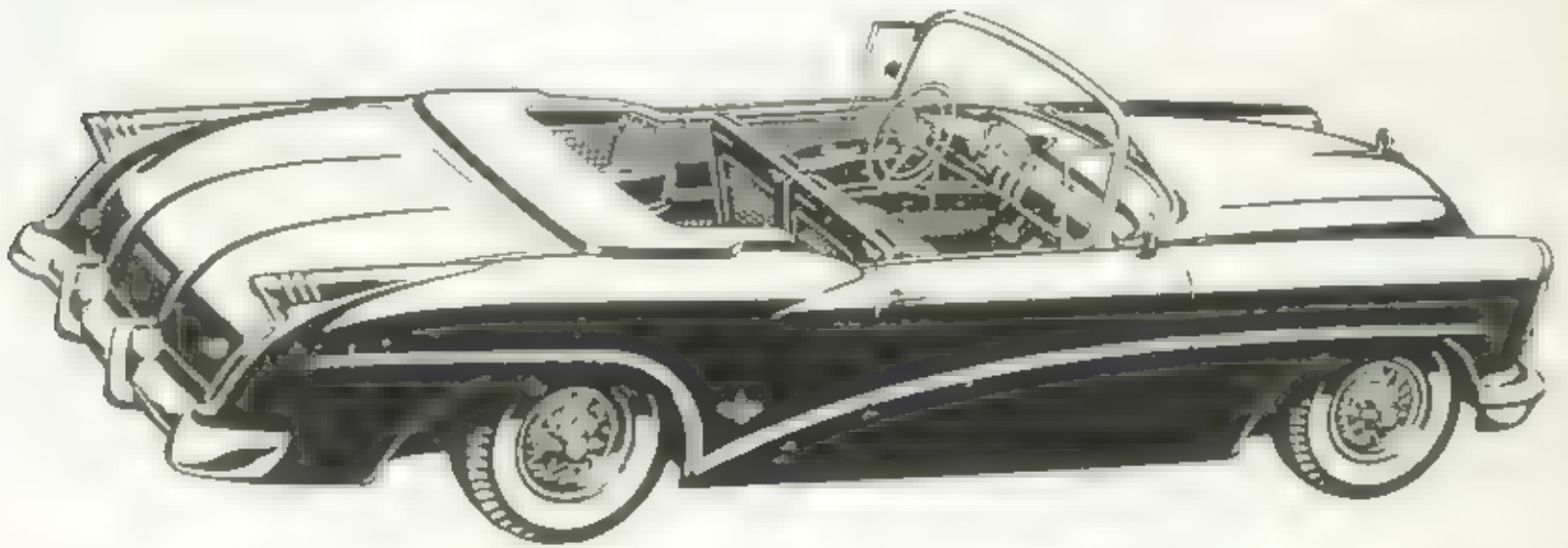
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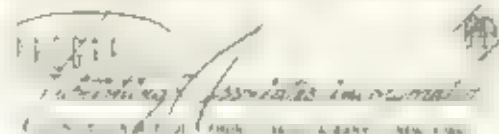
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